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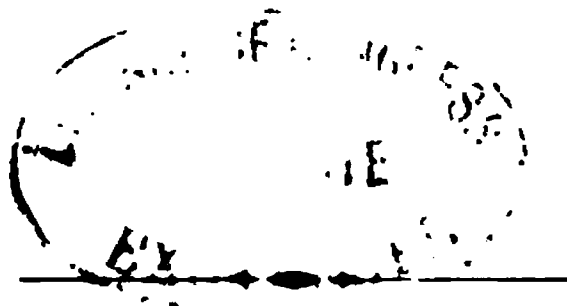
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1871.

The General Assembly of the State of South Carolina was convened (in pursuance of the Constitution) in Columbia, at 12 o'clock, meridian, this day, being the twenty-eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

The House of Representatives assembled in the Capitol building at 12 M.

The Speaker, Hon. F. J. MOSES, Jr., took the chair.

The Clerk called the roll, and the following members answered to their names :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey,

Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the last day of the last session was read and confirmed.

The Clerk of the House was directed to inform the Senate that the House had met, a quorum was present, and was ready to proceed to business.

RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WHIPPER moved that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and ascertain when it will be his pleasure to communicate to the House. Agreed to.

The SPEAKER appointed as said Committee, Messrs. Whipper, Lang and R. M. Smith.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved that all Bills, &c., on the Calendar, be referred to their appropriate Committees. Agreed to.

Mr. PERRY gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Pendleton.

Mr. YOCOM gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following named Bills :

A Bill to provide for the punishment of embezzlement of public money, and for other purposes ;

A Bill to prohibit certain officers from being interested in certain contracts ;

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of indebtedness ;

A Bill to prevent extortion in office, and enforce official duty.

Mr JONES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following :

A Bill to protect plantation laborers who are restricted to payment in plantation due-bills ;

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Georgetown ;

A Bill to exempt the County of Georgetown from the payment of fees of County officers, and other persons therein mentioned.

Mr. BOWLEY introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, That a Committee of nine members be elected by the House, to be known as the Committee on Subordinate Officers and Attachees,

whose duty it shall be to choose the number of Committee Clerks and Attachees to be employed in the service of the House, and to regulate the pay and audit the accounts of the same; said Committee to appoint a mail carrier for the House, define the duty and regulate the pay of the same; the action of the Committee to be ratified by the House. The Committee shall not be authorized to make any appointment, from time to time, without the consent of the House. Said Committee shall have power, when necessary, to appoint Clerks and other Attachees to attend Special Committees, by the consent of the House: *Provided*, That no person shall draw pay for more than one office, and that the Clerk of the House shall draw no pay certificate for any such subordinate, unless appointed by the Committee, except the subordinates elected by the House, and the Engrossing Clerks.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to strike out the word "nine," and insert the words "one from each County." Adopted.

On the adoption of the resolution, as amended,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 75; nays, 7.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Sumpter, Talbert, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.—75.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Byas, C. D. Hayne, Lee, Simons, R. M. Smith, W. M. Thomas and Whipper.—7.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the election of the Committee, under the resolution, was suspended temporarily.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Governor, reported that they had performed said duty, and the Governor would communicate in writing this day.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1871.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 1.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., November 28, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that the Senate has met, a quorum is present, and is ready to proceed to business.

By order of the Senate.

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER, President.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. Hunter, for five days;

Mr. Hagood, for five days.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 1.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, November 28, 1871.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

You have assembled for the fourth time since the establishment of a system of free government in South Carolina. Pursuant to the Constitution, it is the duty of the Governor to "give to the General Assembly information of the condition of the State, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary or expedient."

The present financial condition of the State especially demands a rigid and unshrinking compliance with this constitutional requirement, in order that the General Assembly and every department of the State Government may unite in a common effort to correct such evils as are remediable, and prevent their recurrence. In this, the last Annual Message that I shall transmit to the General Assembly, I propose to state my views frankly upon the chief matters of public interest, and to give all the facts within my knowledge, without reserve, as alike due to the people, and imposed by my official obligation. I will thus, I trust, be enabled to correct gross exaggerations that are being diligently circulated in reference to our finances, and the entire administration of the State.

In performing this duty I shall not shrink from charging upon others any just share of their responsibility for evil consequences of their acts, and will not hesitate fully to admit my own.

THE STATE DEBT.

The following is the Treasurer's exhibit of the actual debt of the State. I know, from severe personal scrutiny, that this exhibit is full and correct. It shows the present debt of the State in its entirety, suppressing nothing:

Statement of Total Amount of Bonds and Stocks Printed by the American Bank Note Company, and accounted for.

500 Bonds redemption Bills Receivable, at \$1,000.....	\$ 500,000
2,000 Bonds payment interest Public Debt, at \$1,000.....	2,000,000
1,000 Bonds relief of the Treasury, at \$1,000.....	1,000,000
700 Bonds Land Commission, at \$1,000.....	700,000
800 Bonds redemption Bills Bank of State, at \$1,000.....	800,000
1,500 Bonds redemption Bills Bank of State, at \$500.....	750,000
800 Bonds redemption Bills Bank of State, at \$50.....	40,000
3,500 Bonds conversion State Securities, at \$1,000.....	3,500,000
4,000 Bonds conversion State Securities, at \$1,000.....	4,000,000
1,200 Bonds conversion State Securities, at \$500.....	600,000
1,000 Bonds conversion State Securities, at \$100.....	100,000
Sterling Loan.....	6,000,000
Certificates conversion Stock.....	2,550,000
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	\$22,540,000

Accounted for as follows:

On Hand in State Treasury.

Bonds conversion State Securities, not signed.....	\$ 473,500
Bonds relief of Treasury, (7 per cent.).....	101,000
Bonds payment interest Public Debt.....	50,000
Bonds redemption Bills Bank of State.....	331,000
Stock conversion State Securities.....	2,117,300
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	\$3,072,800

Deposited for Safe Keeping with American Bank Note Company.

Sterling Loan.....	6,000,000
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Bonds Cancelled and Destroyed.

500 Bonds, payment interest on Public Debt, burned in State House.....	500,000
500 Bonds conversion State Securities, erroneously printed, returned and cancelled by American Bank Note Company.....	500,000
Conversion Bonds issued in effecting conversions at State Treasury.....	1,260,500
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Amount carried forward.....\$11,333,300 \$22,540,000

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1871.

Brought forward.....	\$11,333,300	\$22,540,000
Conversion Bond, No. 520, cancelled and destroyed at State Treasury.....	1,000	
Bonds redemption bills Bank State, issued at State Treasury.....	1,259,000	
Conversion Stock, issued, cancelled and transferred at State Treasury.....	432,700	
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		\$9,514,000

Statement of Debt.

Old Debt.....	\$6,665,908	98
Less old bonds, paid July 1, 1871.....	212,000	00
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	\$6,453,908	98
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New Bonds.....	\$9,514,000	00
Less in hands of Financial Agent, to the credit of Sinking Fund Commission.....	200,000	00
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	\$9,314,000	00
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New Bonds, in hands of Financial Agent, now in use as collateral security for loans.....	\$3,773,000	00
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Amount of New Bonds sold.....	\$5,541,000	00
Old Debt, as above.....	6,453,908	98
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	\$11,994,908	98
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The facts and data upon which the foregoing statement, which has been examined and approved by the Financial Board, is based, are open to the inspection of the public, both at the State Treasury and at the Financial Agency, in New York. The Financial Board report that, "the bonds have all been issued and used under the authority of the Act of August 26, 1868, entitled "An Act to authorize a loan to redeem the obligations known as Bills Receivable of the State of South Carolina;" the Act of August 26, 1868, entitled "An Act to authorize a loan to pay the interest on the public debt;" the Act of February 17, 1869, entitled "An Act to authorize a loan for the relief of the Treasury;" the Act of March 27, 1869, entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties;" the Act of March 1, 1870, entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An

Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties,' and for other purposes therein mentioned;" the Act of March 23, 1869, entitled "An Act to provide for the conversion of State securities;" and the Act of March 26, 1869, entitled "An Act to authorize the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the City of New York, to pledge State bonds as collateral security, and for other purposes."

The three first named Acts authorized the borrowing of two million five hundred thousand dollars, on coupon bonds. Owing to the constant and increasing depreciation in the value of the bonds, it was found necessary, in order to carry into effect the purposes of these several Acts, to issue a much larger number of bonds. The Act for the conversion of State securities, giving authority for a more available and uniform class of bonds than the one which had, in the first instance, been issued under the several Acts referred to, the remainder of the bonds required to raise the amounts of money authorized by the several Acts were prepared, in accordance with the Act for the conversion of State securities, to the amount above named.

The indebtedness of the State being as above stated, the State authorities now hope to be able to retire the bonds in New York, and to save the securities now hypothecated from sale. It is also intended to discontinue the Financial Agency in New York, except to designate some banking institution as the place for the payment of the interest on the Public Debt."

TAX LEVY, TAXES COLLECTED, AND DELINQUENT TAXES.

Many and extravagant statements have been made regarding the assessment, and collection of taxes, and those not familiar with the actual facts, when compared with collection of revenue for the same purposes in other States, are doubtless frequently led to believe that taxation is extravagant and unusual. I undertake to say that not a State in the Union has collected less tax in the same length of time in proportion to its population and resources. The following is a correct exhibit of the appropriation of moneys, the levy of tax, collection of revenue per annum, and the delinquent list for the years 1868, 1869 and 1870:

Statement of Amount of Taxes Levied, Amount Collected, and Appropriations made, during Years 1868, 1869 and 1870.

Total taxation for 1868, rate of taxation, State,		
7½ mills.....	\$1,338,742	19
Total amount collected.....	1,163,053	28
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Delinquent.....		\$175,688 91

Total appropriations for the year 1868, exclusive of interest on public debt, for which no appropriation was made.....	\$817,968 28
Total taxation for 1869, rate, State, 5 mills....	\$1,014,901 83
Total amount collected.....	766,736 08
Delinquent.....	\$248,165 75
Total appropriations for the year 1869, including interest on public debt.....	\$1,191,805 09
Total taxation for 1870, State, 9 mills.....	\$1,670,063 66
Total amount collected.....	1,146,037 06
Delinquent.....	\$524,026 60
Total appropriations for the year 1870.....	\$1,604,053 54
Total delinquent taxes.....	\$947,881 26
Twenty per cent. penalty.....	189,576 25
Total.....	\$1,137,457 51

If the taxes, as shown in the foregoing statement, had been paid, as they should have been, it would have saved the State at least two millions and a half of bonded debt.

BONDED DEBT.

It must not be presumed that the increase in the bonded debt of the State is the creation, in any considerable degree, of the existing administration. This increase represents mostly liabilities contracted under previous administrations, the form of the obligation, in some cases, alone being changed, while a large fraction consists of bonds issued to meet the matured principal and accruing interest of the ante-war debt, in order to maintain the faith and credit of the State.

The seven hundred thousand dollars of bonds issued for the Land Commission form the only portion of the debt actually created by the present administration, and for this the State has an ample equivalent in the lands purchased, which will ultimately repay both principal and interest.

By reference to the various Acts cited in the foregoing statement of the Treasurer, it will be seen that, with the exception of those authorizing the issue of bonds for the Land Commission, they severally provide that a specified sum of money shall be raised on bonds of the State, and not simply that a given amount of bonds shall be issued.

The amount of bonds to be issued for this purpose was not specified by law, as our securities were untried, and therefore had no determinable market value. If the General Assembly had attempted to approximate the probable market value of the new State securities, they would doubtless have rated them at not more than five or ten cents on the dollar, provided that in this they had been guided by the views of the opposition press, which, in its efforts to break down the State credit, fastened upon these securities, in advance, the stigma of a threatened repudiation, and declared that they would be worthless to the holder.

But it was believed by the Financial Board that our securities might be so made to appreciate as to be negotiated at par, and that a million in our bonds would thus purchase a million of dollars.

As the result of the financial policy adopted, these new bonds commanded, in the early part of 1870, from 80 to 85 per cent. of their par value, and so well satisfied was I that our securities—bearing, as they did, six per cent. interest, payable in gold—would, in the natural order of things, further appreciate, that I refused my consent to sell even at those comparatively high rates. This apparent confidence of capitalists in the State Government aroused its opponents to a combined effort to depreciate the bonds, and not only were the most active individual efforts made to discredit our securities, but even the Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Trade of Charleston lent their aid to the scheme of depreciation. The exchangeable value of a State bond depends: First, upon the ability of the State to pay the interest upon it as it accrues, and to redeem it at maturity; and, second, upon the recognized and acknowledged disposition and intention of those who administer the affairs of the State, to provide for the punctual liquidation of all its just obligations. As the resources of the State were, and are, unquestionably ample, even on an ordinary scale of taxation, as compared with its indebtedness, the class of persons especially hostile to the State Government, and the principles upon which it is founded, directed their efforts to make it appear to capitalists that the State administration was corrupt and profligate, and that a popular reaction had taken place that would soon bear them into power. Founding their claims to consideration, upon these false pretences, and pretending to represent the people of South Carolina, they boldly proclaimed their purpose to repudiate all debts contracted subsequent to the adoption of our new State Constitution.

As, by this course of action on the part of men professing to have the honor and credit of the State peculiarly at heart, the purchasing value of the bonds was seriously diminished, thereby requiring an increased amount in bonds to raise a given amount in money, it follows that they, and not this administration, are responsible for any undue increase in our bonded debt, upon the just legal principle that every man is accountable

for the natural consequences of his own acts. Added to these causes for the decline in the value of our securities was the manifest want of confidence among capitalists in the management of our finances by our Financial Agent in New York.

In proof that this scheme to discredit the government of the State has its origin in political causes, I cite the following extracts from the *Charleston Daily News*, a widely circulated journal, published at the commercial center of the State. The first of these extracts, taken from the issue of that paper of date of July 17, 1868, but ten days after the new State government went into operation, makes it evident that the determination to depreciate our securities was formed almost simultaneously with the advent of the present administration, and before it could have rendered itself, by any act of its own, obnoxious to the charges of corruption or improvidence:

“‘BAYONET’ BONDS.—It would doubtless be a very comfortable thing if the debt of the State could be paid, or the interest funded, until the people, under a legitimate government, are able to meet their public obligations. But this cannot be done by the motley Legislature now in session in Columbia; nor can they, by the issue of ‘bayonet’ bonds, provide, as proposed, for the deficit in the annual revenue of the State.

“The Legislature will, of course, bleed freely every property holder in South Carolina, and, as long as they usurp the machinery of the law, may compel the payment of taxation. Negro Legislators, negro Sheriffs and negro Constables may distrain, and there the scheme of financial white-washing will come to a premature end.

“Beyond this they cannot go. What capitalist would touch ‘bayonet’ bonds issued by our bogus Legislature. Would New York or Boston touch these bonds, issued by authority of a horde of negroes, and in face of the protest of the white people of the State? Would not our Northern brethren prefer to wait until after November?

“The State debt of South Carolina—the debt now existing—will be paid to the last cent, whatever the General Assembly may do; but no ‘bayonet’ bond, for whatever reason issued, will ever be recognized by the white people of the State.”

Referring to the Act of the General Assembly providing for the payment of the interest on our State bonds in specie, the same paper says, under date of December 1, 1869:

“We can pay our debt as it stands. The question is, whether one year more of Radical rule will not so largely swell the total that the people will, at the first opportunity, shuffle off the weight of care, and repudiate every dollar of debt contracted after the war.

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"Had the Governor advised that the war debt be paid—a debt contracted for the advancement of a cause in which our people embarked fortune, life and honor—an attentive ear and willing heart would have met the proposal, and the whole subject would have been considered with kindly and generous care.

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"Every merchant or financier does see, or will see, that the whole scheme is a job and a swindle. Beyond this, there is the certainty that the law of specie payments will assuredly be repealed as soon as property holders and honest men have a majority in the councils of the State. This majority we shall have in less than a year."

The cry of repudiation thus raised by a large portion of the press, and continued, with a shameless pertinacity, in the interest of a small and malignant political organization, has done much to produce the recent depreciation of our securities, coming, as it did, at a time when the money markets were rendered peculiarly sensitive and stringent by various causes.

The debt statement made at the meeting of the Tax Payers' Convention in May last, and that furnished by me to the Congressional Committee in September, were correct, to the best of my knowledge, at those dates. My information as to the sale of bonds was then necessarily limited to the amount reported by the Financial Agent and Treasurer.

Twenty-two hundred thousand of the amount of conversion bonds, issued as above stated, were signed by me for the express purpose of withdrawing from the market and cancelling an equal amount of those issued and hypothecated under the Acts for relief of the Treasury, the payment of the interest on the public debt, and for the Land Commission. They were signed about the time the Tax Payers' Convention assembled. Subsequently, the Financial Agent represented that the rapid decline in the value of our State securities disabled him from getting control of the bonds deposited as collaterals, and to relieve which these conversion bonds were signed at that date.

The action of that body, and of the Charleston Board of Trade, in reference to the proposed Sterling Fund Loan, warning capitalists abroad against its negotiation, and declaring that, if negotiated, it should never be paid, had a most disastrous effect upon our securities, and thereby compelled a large and rapid increase in the volume of our bonded debt. At the time the Sterling Fund Bill was enacted, I deemed its policy a wise one, and it was endorsed as a good financial measure, by many leading financiers, both in this State and in New York. Its design was to replace our securities, already issued, with a uniform class of bonds, many of such securities not being a good delivery at the Stock Exchange

in New York. This loan was calculated to commend itself to capitalists, for, while it changed the form of the debt advantageously, it was guarded with the irrepealable restriction that its proceeds should be "*exclusively used in exchange for, or in payment of, the existing public debt of the State.*"

Its very terms thus show how unwarranted was the action of the Convention in stigmatizing it as an intended increase of the bonded debt of the State. In view of all the facts in the premises, the Sterling Loan, thus discredited in advance, was not put upon the market.

The gentlemen who guided the action of the Convention on questions of finance, expressed, as a further objection to the loan, their want of confidence in the Financial Agent in New York. In evidence of the real purpose, and the wantonness of these systematic attacks upon the State credit, I would mention that I thereupon proposed that they should designate the Syndics, or Agents, for the negotiation of the loan, both in London and New York. I further proposed, with the unanimous consent of the Financial Board, to guard holders under this loan from loss, through any possible subsequent action of the General Assembly in regard to it, by entering into such stipulations on behalf of the State with the Syndics charged with negotiating the loan, that no future Legislature could divert its proceeds without attempting to "impair the obligation of contracts," thereby giving the Courts of the United States jurisdiction, should a question of the kind ever arise, involving the rights of the bondholders and the faith of the State.

I instanced to them, in this connection, the decision in the case of Minnesota, where, under a similar stipulation, the rights of the bondholders were enforced by the Federal Courts, on *ex post facto* grounds, even against a provision in the Constitution of that State adopted subsequent to the creation of its debt. Nothing, however, could change their predetermined purpose. Had they and their allies displayed the same diligence in co-operating with the Financial Board for the negotiation of the Sterling Loan that they have shown in their efforts to discredit the securities of the State, our entire bonded debt would not now exceed ten millions of dollars, and the State would have been saved near three millions necessarily sacrificed in the negotiation of its depreciated bonds.

For them now to complain of our immense bonded debt and high taxation, and to claim commiseration for these direct and inevitable consequences of their own acts, is to imitate the criminal who, having murdered his parents, plead orphanage in mitigation of sentence.

On this question of responsibility between them and the State administration, I invoke and fearlessly await that just judgment which always springs from the sober second thought of the people.

The depreciation in our bonds, therefore, springs from causes purely

artificial, and in their nature temporary. The State can and will redeem all her obligations, to the last cent. I might, with propriety, end this branch of my Message here, but I deem it both proper and timely to show who these men are that arrogantly and falsely assume to represent abroad the wealth of the State, and the sentiment of the people of South Carolina. They are a remnant of the class who ruled this State when the many toiled and suffered for the benefit of the few, and its Government subserved the largest good of the smallest number. Asserting and exercising a prescriptive right to govern wrong, in times past they made the laboring masses, without regard to race, their pack-horses, to bear the burdens of a Government that conferred its benefits only upon a limited and select class of its people. They are essentially non-producers, and do not contribute five per cent. to the thirty millions value of the annual exported products of the State. Claiming to represent a large amount of capital, their names are chiefly found upon the arrear list, when found at all in the tax books, and nearly all of them have long since voluntarily recorded themselves upon the roll of bankrupts. Their pretence that they are the guardians of the honor and credit of South Carolina would be supremely ridiculous, if it were not so supremely shameless.

Their present cry of "repudiation" is not surprising. Repudiation is their chronic disease. When they were in power in 1862 they repudiated all their debts due loyal men, both private and public, and have themselves been repudiated by the people of South Carolina, upon the blood and muscle and sinews of whose hard-handed laborers these privileged few so long fattened. Professing to be the champions of good government, when they were in power, instead of effecting an equitable distribution of the taxes over all classes of property, they created numerous railway and other corporations, exempting them from all taxation forever. These corporations, although owning millions of property throughout the State, pay not one dollar of taxes into its treasury, and even successfully claim, in the courts, exemption from all municipal taxation for the residences and pleasure carriages and horses of their officers in our towns and cities, where, in nearly every street, these wealthy beneficiaries of the State own long rows of houses, untaxed and untaxable, which they buy and sell on speculation.

Remembering the general private suffering that they have caused, and the great public burdens that they have aided to create by their treasonable acts, it would better become these self-styled representatives of South Carolina to walk more humbly, and to show a grateful appreciation of the generous magnanimity that they have received at the hands of the National and State Governments, by honestly endeavoring in some measure to repair the ruin that they have made. As these persons have been pleased to except from their proposed scheme of "repudiation" the

"old bonds" of the State, it may be well to inform them that should the evil day ever come for South Carolina to proclaim her perfidy or insolvency by repudiating any part of her valid debt, she will not first dishonor that class of her obligations in the benefits arising from the creation of which the largest number of her people have shared. On such a financial doomsday the last would surely not be the first.

In dismissing this branch of my Message I would observe that the local combination against our finances was simply Ku Kluxism applied to the State credit, and naturally had, upon the exchangeable value of our securities, the same depressing effect which that infamous system has had upon the material prosperity of the State.

THE FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE STATE.

When the present State Government was inaugurated, (July 6, 1868,) there were only forty-five (45) dollars in the State Treasury. A large bonded and floating debt, incurred by former Administrations, had to be provided for. The ancient credit of the State, that had once stood so justly high in the money markets of the world, was gone. It had been blown away with the smoke of the first gun fired at Fort Sumter.

In order to meet the current expenses, until money could be realized from the tax levy, it was necessary for the State to borrow on its securities. To effect this object on the best terms for the State, the General Assembly authorized the Governor, Attorney General and the Treasurer, "to appoint, under a commission signed by them, some responsible bank or banker in the city of New York, to act as Financial Agent of the State."

To this end I visited New York, and conferred with leading banks. They all declined the agency, alleging that the duties were arduous and the time of payment uncertain; that we were only borrowers in the market.

While thus endeavoring to secure the services of a responsible and efficient Financial Agent, the name of Mr. H. H. Kimpton was presented. He was highly endorsed by prominent officials in the State, and by leading bankers in New York, among whom were the Presidents of the Broadway Bank, and the Bank of the Republic.

Although averse to appointing any individual banker Financial Agent, for reasons which time has since fortified, there then appeared to be no other alternative, and I, therefore, as one of the Financial Board, gave my assent to the appointment of Mr. Kimpton, but on the condition that he would give a bond to the State in the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, (\$500,000,) conditioned for the faithful discharge of his trust as Financial Agent. Mr. Henry Clews, a prominent banker of New York,

was proposed and accepted as bondsman, and I was afterwards informed by the Treasurer that Mr. Kimpton had executed and filed his bond.

It is proper that I should here remark that the law did not require the Financial Agent to give a bond, nor are bonds ever required of their financial agents by other States, but I insisted upon it, out of an abundance of caution in the interest of the State. I mention this fact simply to show that this trust was not carelessly conferred. In referring to it I do not mean to intimate that the depreciation in our securities bears any relation to the bond of the Financial Agent, for, even though his bond had exceeded in amount the total value of our securities in his hands, that depreciation and the consequent loss to the State could not have been thereby prevented, as it would have indemnified the State only in the event of damage received through neglect or fraud on the part of the Agent, neither of which is alleged against him.

Subsequent events have made it manifest that it was a grave mistake to appoint an individual instead of a chartered company as our Financial Agent.

An individual banker, whatever may be his capacity as a financier, cannot, in the management of large money transactions, command the same high degree of confidence, on the part of capitalists, that a corporation can.

Especially is this the case when the basis of the proposed negotiation consists of a class of securities new to the market, at a time, too, when there was an active speculative movement in the stocks and bonds of all the Southern States, and the value of the currency to holders was constantly made to fluctuate by operations of speculators in the gold market.

Hence, I again visited New York, a year ago, for the purpose of effecting a change in the Financial Agency. I found this impracticable, as the State was indebted to the Agent, and could not then arrange to liquidate that indebtedness.

The Financial Agent has probably done the best he could, under the circumstances, embarrassed and checked as he was by constant "bear" movements, originating in the State, as a part of an organized scheme to discredit its existing administration.

Nearly every leading man of the opposition—those who had capital and those who had none, but pretended to have it—joined in this scheme.

I am ready to take my share of the responsibility for our present financial embarrassment, but those citizens who combined against the credit of the State, at home and abroad, and systematically depreciated the market value of its securities, cannot evade theirs.

I am, in public estimation, held responsible for the action of the

Financial Board, when, in law and in fact, the Governor has no more power in the Board than any private citizen who might be a member of it. I would add, in reference to the Financial Agent, that he has been greatly embarrassed by the practice, on the part of the Treasurer, of drawing upon the Agency for funds to meet the current expenses of the State, in the interim between the periods fixed for the payment of taxes, thus creating a floating debt constantly in advance of the revenue. I do not mean to censure the Treasurer for this course, as he doubtless thought it warranted by the exigencies of the Treasury, but the practice is a bad one, and I would recommend that it should be prohibited by proper legislation, which should at the same time provide that hereafter no money shall be borrowed or debt contracted to defray the current expenses of the State Government, but let all those to whom money is due from the State await the collection of the taxes. This course, coupled with a system of rigid retrenchment, will soon lift the State above all present financial embarrassments, and prevent their recurrence in the future.

For a detailed statement of the transactions of the Financial Agent, I refer you to his report to the Comptroller General, for the quarter ending September 30, 1871.

EXPENDITURES OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT.

While holding the political opponents of the State Government responsible for the great depreciation in the market value of our securities—a depreciation directly due to their conspiracy against the credit of the State—I am bound by my sense of public duty to expose to the reprobation of the people the improvident expenditures incurred by the General Assembly, and the extravagant and improper disbursement of the State moneys, to which the Legislative department has given either its express or implied sanction. In so doing, I do not wish to be considered as wanting in a due and proper respect to a co-ordinate branch of the State Government, but I desire to appeal, in plain and earnest language, to the sober judgment, the decent self-respect and the public spirit of each member of the General Assembly, to give his active aid in effecting an instant reform in this direction; for the whole people, with united voice, demand it, and the condition of our finances, and every instinct of self-preservation, require it at your hands.

It would scarcely have been possible for the men who combined to destroy the credit of the State, to have executed their purpose so successfully, had not the General Assembly lent them its practical co-operation by exhausting, through its extravagance, the funds in the Treasury, thus leaving the State without any reserve-balance to meet the financial exigency.

I instance the following, among many other items of extravagant expenditures: The money drawn upon the orders of the presiding officers of the two Houses during the last session for current printing amounts to \$68,904.90. In addition to this large sum, \$30,000 were appropriated for current printing for the same session, making a total of \$98,904.90 expended on this item alone. There was further drawn from the Treasury and disbursed by the Clerks of the Senate and House, for printing the laws, &c., the sum of \$103,651.44. These figures show the enormous aggregate of \$202,556.34 expended on printing alone during and incident to the last session of the General Assembly, while large claims for public printing are still outstanding. In addition to these expenditures, the sum of \$29,814.05 was drawn upon the orders of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, for purposes not very well defined, but designated as "contingent expenses and repairs," making an aggregate, for the above specified objects, of \$232,370.39—a sum startling in its magnitude for one session of the General Assembly, and which may well bid the legislative department pause in the path that it has been pursuing.

The appropriations, including those vetoed by the Executive, aggregate a total of \$480,000. To this is to be added the amount of \$103,651.44, as shown above, drawn upon the certificates of the Clerks of the two Houses of the General Assembly, on account of printing the laws, and the grand total of expenditures, on account of "legislative expenses," amounts to \$583,651.44.

As an evidence of the pernicious consequences of permitting this "money order" system on the part of the presiding officers of the Senate and House, I refer to the fact, well known to the members of the General Assembly, that during the past year, upon the order of the Speaker of the House, an alleged liability against the State was contracted, to the amount of \$91,500, for furniture for the State House. This was entirely without warrant of law, and if the principle is admitted that moneys can be thus drawn from the Treasury, or debts contracted without "appropriations made by law," then all proper safeguards of the Treasury are broken down, and a few ministerial officers in the State may mortgage its revenue in advance, or deprive it at will of the means of meeting its legal liabilities.

THE PAY OF MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The first important measure of retrenchment demanded by our financial condition, is a great reduction in the amount received by members of the General Assembly for their services.

The Constitution provides (Article II, Section 23,) that "each member of the first General Assembly under this Constitution shall receive six

dollars per diem, while in session, and the further sum of twenty cents for every mile of the ordinary route of travel in going to and returning from the place where such session is held, after which they shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by law; but no General Assembly shall have the power to increase the compensation of its own members." I would recommend that, in lieu of a per diem, each member shall receive an annual salary, to be fixed at such a rate as will greatly diminish the cost to the State of the sessions of the General Assembly, as compared with the amount now paid under the system of per diem compensation. It will also enable the General Assembly to provide an assessment for the amount required for the pay of its members, and will enable them to obtain their pay with certainty. I am satisfied that a moderate yet adequate salary could be provided by law, and a great saving be thereby effected to the State Treasury.

You would thereby also greatly diminish the incidental expenses of the General Assembly, by destroying what might offer a great inducement to many members to prolong the sessions.

I cannot refrain from expressing the hope that the present session of the Legislature will be a short and economical one, as the financial condition of the State will not admit of any unnecessary expenditure of money. All the influence of the Executive of the State will be exerted in accomplishing this end, and he trusts that he will have the active sympathy and co-operation of each and every member of the Legislative Department.

The large amount of money paid to the attachees, such as clerks, messengers, porters, &c., is without a parallel in the history of legislative bodies. It was claimed at the time by the members that most of these were men who had been driven from their homes on account of their political opinions, and it became the duty of the General Assembly to provide means for their support. While this may be true, and that it may have devolved upon the State Government to provide some means for their protection and support, yet a very unusual and expensive mode of extending that support was adopted. It might have been but justice to have made a regular appropriation and levied it upon the Counties from which these men were driven; thus the victims of political prejudice would have been provided for and the actual perpetrators of these outrages made to feel that it was an expensive way of controlling political opinions.

THE CODIFYING COMMISSION.

The Commission to codify the laws has been in existence for nearly three years, and has cost the State about fifty thousand dollars, (\$50,000,) and its work is not yet completed.

It is the opinion of some of the best legal minds of the State that this work could have been done thoroughly at a cost of not more than five thousand dollars. I would, therefore, recommend that this standing reproach to the State Government, and unnecessary drain upon the Treasury, be removed without delay, by abolishing the Code Commission and employing a competent jurist to complete the codification of our laws.

THE OFFICE OF LAND COMMISSIONER.

I recommend that the office of Land Commissioner be abolished, and that the duties of the office be devolved upon the Secretary of State.

THE SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

The thirty-one School Commissioners, at their present salaries, which are exceedingly large for the amount of service that they render, cost the State thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars per annum. I, therefore, recommend a material reduction in the salaries of School Commissioners, so as to reduce the expenditures on this account to a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars per annum.

GENERAL REDUCTION OF SALARIES.

There is great and instant need for the reduction of the salaries of State officers, and for a decided diminution of the clerical force employed in many offices of the Executive Department. In some cases the State is paying clerks to perform duties that should be, and can be, discharged by the officers themselves. In my opinion the salaries of all officers, except the Judges, should be reduced one-third.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

The office of Assistant Adjutant General should be abolished, and the Adjutant General should be required to perform the duties of his office.

STATE AND COUNTY AUDITORS.

The office of State Auditor should be abolished, and its duties performed by the Comptroller General.

The office of County Auditor can be dispensed with without injury to the public service, and the duties of that office devolved upon the County Treasurer, thus effecting a saving to the State of not less than fifty thousand (50,000) dollars per annum, and securing even increased efficiency in the collection of taxes.

TRIAL JUSTICES.

I invite your early attention to the recommendations of my last Message in regard to Trial Justices. The aggregate cost of this class of

officers is very near one hundred and twenty thousand (120,000) dollars annually. The Trial Justices in the city of Charleston alone entail upon the County an expenditure of about thirty-five thousand (35,000) dollars a year. I would therefore urge, in addition to my former recommendations on this subject, that the office of Trial Justice be abolished in the city of Charleston, and that, in lieu thereof, three Police Judges be created for that city, who shall receive adequate salaries, and shall exercise the jurisdiction vested in Trial Justices. I would further recommend the appointment of one Police Judge in each of our principal towns; dispensing with Trial Justices therein, and vesting in such Judges the judicial powers now exercised by the Mayors' Courts, as, under existing Acts, the Mayors and Intendants of our cities and towns may crowd our jails with prisoners sentenced for trifling offences, thus increasing the expenses of the several Counties.

RECORDER OF THE CITY OF CHARLESTON.

I recommend that the office of Recorder of the city of Charleston be abolished forthwith. This is a State office created by Act of the General Assembly many years ago, but it has for a long period fallen into utter disuse. Although the Recorder receives a salary of twenty-five hundred (2,500) dollars per annum, and has a clerk at six hundred (600) dollars per annum, payable by the city, I am credibly informed that he has not held more than two sessions of the City Court, for the trial of criminal and civil causes, during the past ten or twelve years. It is a mere excrescence on our judicial system, and the people of Charleston should no longer be taxed to sustain it.

CLERKS OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE.

I would especially direct your attention, in this connection, to the propriety of reducing the salaries of the Clerks of the Senate and House. Taking the number of days on which these officers are presumed to be employed, their compensation per diem, respectively, is more than five times greater than that received by a member of the body in which they are subordinates, while the annual salary of each equals the highest received by any officer in the State, except the Chief Justice. This is an anomaly without precedent in any other State, and unwarranted by the present condition of the State Treasury.

ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION REQUIRED TO REGULATE PUBLIC PRINTING.

I recommend that the present system for the public printing be changed without delay, and the great drain upon the Treasury, caused thereby, checked at once. The authority vested in the Clerks of the

Senate and House, in regard to the printing, should be rescinded, and a proper safeguard, and a rigid system of accountability instituted, to insure the strictest economy in this very considerable branch of the public expenditures. It should not be left to the discretion of subordinate officers of the General Assembly, however honest and judicious they may be in the discharge of such a trust. The existing system has involved an expenditure for printing so great as to have proved a real calamity to the State. It has certainly eventuated in a contract for the public printing which is a flagrant fraud upon the Treasury, and should be instantly annulled.

I have ascertained that the company with which the printing contract has been made, to-wit: the Republican Printing Company, neither owns nor controls any journal or printing establishment, and is even without legal existence, but has the work executed in this city at the regular market rates, and thus derives an immense profit from the Treasury of the State, without any outlay on their part.

STATE REVENUES.

Under existing laws for the assessment and collection of taxes, real estate is made to bear an undue proportion of the burdens of taxation. For the purpose, therefore, of raising a sufficient revenue to defray the current expenses of an economical administration of the State, and meet its obligations to its creditors, while at the same time lessening its tax on realty, I make the following recommendations. These recommendations, if judiciously carried out, will secure the payment of taxes on classes of property hitherto practically exempt from taxation, and tend to utilize all legitimate sources of State revenue. The bulk of the cotton and rice is shipped from the State or sent to market, in the interregnum between the annual assessment of taxes, and is thus practically exempted from taxation, contributing but a small share to the amount of revenue derived from the tax on personal property. A tax on these important and valuable products, such as they may reasonably bear without checking production, and, according to value, should be especially provided for, and the necessary measures enacted to insure its collection with certainty.

THE PHOSPHATE, DEPOSITS.

This vast natural source of revenue has not yet been utilized, but a comparatively small revenue having thus far been derived from it by the State. I recommend that some proper officer be designated by law, whose duty it shall be, by actual inspection and measurement, to ascertain the number of tons of phosphate, belonging to the State, that are excavated by

the several chartered companies, and to certify and to collect the royalty due upon the same.

LICENSES.

I recommend that all persons engaged in the sale of liquors, and all merchants, factors, lawyers and physicians, be required to take out a State license.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

A tax should be levied on all premiums received by insurance companies.

TAX ON RAILROAD TONNAGE.

All the most important railroad companies in this State pay no taxes upon their property. I earnestly recommend that a tax be levied on every railroad company in the State, for every passenger and every ton of freight transported.

DELINQUENT TAX SALES.

To enforce the more prompt payment of the taxes, and to check the growth of the present enormous arrear list, I recommend that the law be so amended that real and personal property, subject to taxation, shall be sold at public sale, by the County Treasurers, within thirty days after the same shall have become delinquent under the tax levy—the personal property to be first exhausted, if necessary, to satisfy the tax, before sale is made of the realty—and that bonds of the State be taken in payment at par for all real estate purchased at delinquent land sales. I further recommend that the several County Treasurers shall be authorized and required to give absolute titles to all real estate and personal property so sold, within sixty days after the date of such sale; that the State shall warrant and defend such titles, and they shall be held and taken by all Courts in the State as titles in fee simple; and that, in all legal proceedings, the said Courts shall be concluded by said titles as to all matters touching any irregularity that may have been had in connection with such sales, and which may be alleged against the validity of the said titles. This provision, as to time of sale and redemption, not to apply to the property of minors and persons who are *non compos mentis*, or confined in public prisons.

I would also urge that the provision of law requiring County Auditors to purchase lands for the State, at delinquent land sales, be repealed, and that all such lands, heretofore purchased by the State, be sold without delay, subject to the claims of those who may hold any of such lands under the State lease, as provided by law, should there be any such unexpired leases at the time of sale.

AMOUNT OF TAXES IN ARREAR.

As an evidence of the need of additional legislation to enable the State to realize the delinquent taxes, I mention the fact that the amounts due on the arrear lists, for the years 1868, 1869 and 1870, aggregate one million one hundred and thirty-seven thousand four hundred and thirty-three (1,137,433) dollars.

SALE OF STATE LANDS.

I further recommend that the lands purchased by the Land Commission, and all other lands owned by the State, be subdivided into suitable areas, and sold at an early period, at a rate per acre to be fixed by law, according to classification, and that bonds of the State be taken in payment, at par, for all such lands.

The State lands are now estimated to be worth one million (1,000,000) dollars, at a minimum valuation.

THE KU KLUX.

The existing intervention of the military power of the United States, for the suppression of "domestic violence" in the State, demands that I should review the causes that have made that intervention necessary. I perform this duty with a deep sense of humiliation as an American citizen, and with profound regret as the Chief Magistrate of South Carolina. It had long been the boast of our political system, founded as it is upon the expressed will of the people, that the peaceful agencies of the law were alone sufficient for the protection of life and property. When, therefore, it becomes necessary for the civil authorities to invoke the aid of the military, for the protection of the citizen in the exercise of his vested rights, it is a declaration to the world that within the limits of the State crime triumphs over law. That such is the fact is justly due to no act of the present State Government. It has assailed no private right, and committed no public wrong, and always remembering that it was established to advance the interests of the whole people, it cannot, with justice, be charged with ever having wantonly injured a citizen either in his person or estate.

The members of the Constitutional Convention of 1868, with remarkable unanimity, excluded from the new Constitution every proscriptive feature, and, by its provisions, no citizen was disfranchised, and every class of persons and property was guaranteed the equal protection of the laws. The administration elected under that Constitution endeavored faithfully to reflect the generous spirit of its framers. Impelled by my own personal sentiments, no less than by what I deemed a wise public policy, I saw in the men who had rebelled against the Na-

tional Government only the citizens of my country, who, if they had done much wrong, had also, as a consequence, endured much suffering, and I sought to win them back to a better feeling, that all classes of our citizens might dwell together as brethren, under the shelter of a common mansion, and that the united efforts of the whole might be directed to lifting the State up from the universal prostration caused by the wanton acts of a part.

Actuated by these motives, and as a testimony that the new administration was neither partisan nor vindictive, in my first Message to the General Assembly I used the following language on the subject of political disabilities:

“I would earnestly recommend that your honorably body will, at an early period, memorialize Congress to relieve every citizen of South Carolina from all political disabilities. I make this recommendation the more readily from the fact that there are believed to be none of that class in this State who have committed infamous offences against the laws of war.”

“The statute of disfranchisement was doubtless wise and proper at the earlier stage of reconstruction, and justly marked the nation's abhorrence of those who, having been the trusted leaders of the people, had led them into rebellion against the benign government of their country. Yet the continuance of such disfranchisement would be an anomaly under our Republican system based upon the doctrine of universal suffrage. Let us hope that such an act of magnanimity will not be mistaken by the class disfranchised, while to deny it will tend to make them objects of sympathy, and will be, as it were, to keep a knife sticking in an open wound.”

I would add, that I have neither abandoned the hope or the sentiment that impelled that recommendation, so far as the industrial class of the whites are concerned. Although they contributed largely to the wealth and strength of the State, yet, in former times, they were not permitted to take any part in the administration of its affairs. There is no natural antagonism between them and our present system of free government, which, in its paternal care for the welfare of its citizens, has, for the first time in the history of South Carolina, enacted a homestead law, which guards the threshold of the poor man's dwelling, so that remorseless creditors may not enter and sell the roof that shelters his wife and children, or seize the products of the few acres that supply his table with food. Whatever feeling of hostility any of these may entertain against the government of their country, is the result, in a great measure, of the willful misrepresentations of their former privileged rulers, to advance their own political ends.

The General Assembly promptly seconded this effort to restore universal good will among our people, by devising an equitable system of taxation, and by the enactment of laws for the development of all the industrial interests of the State.

As an evidence of the beneficent policy of the new State Government, I cite the facts that most of the Circuit Judges elected by the General Assembly were known not to be in political accord with the majority of its members, and none of them were political partisans. More than half of all the officers appointed by the Executive were of the opposition, and the old Magistrates, who had held their places for years, were generally re-appointed. That this liberal course on the part of the new Administration was not due to a paucity of material in its own party, is shown by the fact that this policy was pursued even in Charleston, where there were numerous Republicans capable and willing to fill all the offices in that vicinity. All the old Magistrates in that city were re-appointed, and the best position in the County of Charleston, the County Treasurership, was bestowed by me upon a citizen known to be politically hostile to the State Administration.

I recur to these facts to show that the armed violence which has prevailed in the State, and has successfully bid defiance to the civil authorities, cannot find a vindication in the plea, which so justly commends itself to the American mind, that it was the result of a reaction against oppression—an appeal to force to remedy wrongs for which there was no other remedy.

Indeed, this system of organized murder began in 1865, immediately after the cessation of hostilities in the open field, inaugurating a condition of affairs that has continued with varying intensity up to the period of its recent culmination, and which differed in its destructiveness from actual war only in this, that *the killed and wounded were all on one side.*

In evidence of this, I refer to the well known fact, that my immediate predecessor, one of the most worthy and eminent citizens of the State, Governor James L. Orr, was both publicly and privately maligned for his efforts to suppress it and enforce the laws against the criminals. The class of men who assailed him for the faithful and fearless discharge of his duty are the same who openly defend the Ku Klux and secretly moved the springs that put and kept them in motion.

A better temper seemed to prevail among this class in the early part of 1868. This, however, was rapidly changed under the written teachings and public speeches of the opposition press and leaders. By the notorious Broadhead letter of General Frank P. Blair, and kindred utterances, announcing the speedy advent of a national administration that would "trample under foot" the whole system of reconstruction, the dormant disloyalty of the opposition leaders in this State was gal-

vanized into action, as is a palsied limb of the human body by the thrill of the electric spark.

These leaders at once evinced a recalcitrant spirit. They assumed the air and speech of a defiant conqueror, and where they did not vindictively assail the principles of the National Government, of whose rare magnanimity they were living proofs, they would declare, as the farthest limit of their loyalty, that they "accept the situation;" an expression which has now become stereotyped, and which, on the lips of such men, conveys both a falsehood and an insult, in the sense in which they use it, as it implies a reserved right to refuse obedience to the laws of their country, whose authority they ceased to assail only when they were deprived of the power to resist it.

They mistook the magnanimity of the Government for weakness, and presuming upon its forbearance, bore themselves as if they had been the victors in the late struggle. These old party leaders soon fanned into flames the expiring passions of their followers in the rebellion, doubtless fearing that the new political system might, if unchecked, induce the white masses to break the thralldom that had so long bound them under the ancient rulers of the State.

They denounced the State Government, elected by a majority of forty-three thousand of the voters of the people, as "a tyrannical usurpation," and "a negro oligarchy," designed to crush out white men; and they stigmatized its loyal supporters as "thieves and robbers," and passed a general sentence of outlawry upon every Republican, without regard to character. The seed thus scattered broadcast from the rostrum, the pulpit and the press, soon produced a terrible harvest. That Republicans were the victims of frequent murders, both open and secret, could not be accounted for on any known theory of mere coincidences. It soon became evident that there was "method" in this "madness," and that a large mass of the whites, obeying the "bloody instructions" of their political leaders, were engaged in a concerted effort to suppress Republicanism in the State, by murdering Republicans, white and colored, solely because of their political opinions. I endeavored to check this system of violence and terrorism by an energetic use of the State Constabulary, and other civil agencies at my disposal. In this I measurably succeeded for a time, although the alleged criminals were invariably bailed, or escaped punishment through jurors in accord with them in political sentiment.

Just previous to the general State election of October last, there was a comparative lull in these outrages. The opposition party, in that election, was again defeated by an immense majority. That defeat aroused the fiercest hate in the breasts of their leading men against every loyal man in the State, and, through their efforts, the most perfect cohesion

was given to the disloyal elements in the upper Counties, where there was an approach to a numerical equality between the two parties.

In November following the election, a prominent citizen of the State, an active and recognized leader of the opposition party, used the following language, in an address delivered in this city to the Confederate Survivors' Association:

"Defeated on the battle-field, defrauded at the ballot-box, we have but one remedy! The dagger, that was made illustrious in the hands of Brutus, must, in the daylight and *in the dark*, cut its way to the hearts of the miscreants who now misrule our native State."

That this language was used on that occasion by the person referred to, I have the testimony of gentlemen of the highest respectability, who heard it. Scarcely less incendiary was the tone of the opposition newspapers throughout the State, as the following extracts from their editorials of that period clearly demonstrate, and fasten upon them much of the responsibility for the baleful consequences that ensued:

"Remember that we are the white people, and that they are the negro; that they have chosen their ground, and arrayed themselves against us with a determination and hate which are unmistakable, and that our policy is to let them alone and take care of ourselves. But we must have organization, not politically, be it remembered, and the views below are worth consideration. Let us have a thorough understanding and a union of the whole white people of the State, not forgetting, either, the worthy exceptions among the negroes who have identified themselves with us, or any others who may see fit to cast their lines in with us."

[*Newberry Herald*, Nov. 3, 1870.]

"The time for temporizing, argument and conciliation, is passed; we shall have no more of it. A straight and severe line must be drawn between the races. The colored people have chosen their ground with the advice of the ringleaders, and they must follow it out without aid or sympathy from their former white friends. The white people have the power and the brains and the determination to hold their own and protect themselves, and they will do so. The negroes have followed their devices one time too many, and now let them look to others for help, assistance and sympathy."—*Darlington Democrat*, Nov. 3, 1870.

"We understand, therefore, and accept the solid black vote cast against the nominees of the Reform party as a declaration of war by the negro race against the white race, by ignorance against intelligence, by poverty against actual or potential wealth. This issue we have striven to avoid, but the negroes will have nothing else. They will not allow us to work with them; we must, if necessary, work against them. Con-

ciliation, argument, persuasion—all have been worse than useless. The white people stand alone. And they must organize themselves and arm themselves, not as ‘a white man’s party,’ but because the past and present prove that decency, purity and political freedom, as well as the preservation of society, are identical with the interests of the white people of the State.”—*Charleston Daily News*, Nov. 7, 1870.

I shall not multiply these evidences from the opposition press, but cannot refrain from uttering a reflection that their candid admissions forcibly suggest.

The two parties in the State during the campaign to which these extracts relate, ran their respective candidates upon platforms that were almost identical in terms, and were alleged by the opposition to be identical in principle. The fact, therefore, that those who claim to possess all the intelligence, and who do possess much of the potential wealth of the State, were so utterly defeated, cannot be referred to mere party differences. Nor can it be explained by charging such defeat to those who are offensively termed “carpet baggers” and “scallawags,” for the number of whites who are active Republicans in this State may almost be counted on the fingers of a man’s hands. The cause lies deeper than this. It is doubtless due to the “negro’s” just perception of character, either intuitive or derived from long experience and close observation, which enables him to look beneath the mere planks of a platform, and discriminate between those who are loyal and those who are disloyal to the government of his country. Hence, he would unquestionably vote as he does, even though every white man in the Republican party in this State should go over to the opposition. He doubtless also perceives that these men bear the same relation to the National Democratic party, of which they claim to be members, that the mere guerrilla or bush-whacker, plundering and murdering on the outskirts of a great army, does to the regular soldier in its ranks.

These appeals were quickly responded to. In many Counties of the up-country bands of armed horsemen, thoroughly masked, rode at midnight to the houses of peaceable Republicans and shot them down in cold blood. Colored men, Republicans, charged with offences, and imprisoned on probable cause, were taken from the jail and inhumanly butchered, to evade the effect of a writ of *habeas corpus* which had been issued in their behalf. Hundreds of Republicans, white as well as colored, law-abiding citizens, were tied to trees and whipped, and their bodies lacerated with cowhides. On the day succeeding the last general election, (October 20, 1870,) an attack was made by these men on a member of the State Constabulary, at Laurens Court House, while the Court was in session, which attack was the signal, evidently, for the execution of a

preconcerted plan to murder Republicans; for the instant it was made a large number of the citizens of the town, all of them of the opposition, formed line of battle and began firing, killing several Republicans upon the spot, without provocation, and hunting down those that fled, and placing them in position, and then deliberately shooting them to death. They then went to the post office and demanded the ballot-boxes from the Post Master, in whose custody they supposed them to be deposited—the Republican ticket, as they correctly thought, having been elected. In this affair, thirteen (13) Republicans were killed and many wounded. Not a man of the opposition was injured. In this and other Counties many were compelled to abandon their families and growing crops, and fly for their lives, and others were required and forced to make a public recantation of their Republican principles from the steps of the County Court Houses, and in open daylight. In obedience to the mandates of these masked murderers many of the local officials resigned, although they were chargeable with no malfeasance in office. In proof that these deeds of violence sprang from no local grievance, but were a part of a general political plan, I refer to the fact that they were committed in several Counties—Union, Spartanburg, York, Chester, Chesterfield, Laurens, Fairfield and Newberry—where all the judicial and other appointees of the administration were of the opposition.

In view of this condition of affairs, the State capital was thronged by refugee Republicans, and in the months of January and February last I was earnestly urged by many loyal men, including numerous members of the General Assembly, to call out the militia and declare martial law over those Counties where these acts of lawless violence were being perpetrated. This I refused to do, for reasons which I then thought, and still think, were judicious and proper. I had at my disposal but a comparatively small militia force, composed nearly altogether of colored men, as this class alone, with but few exceptions, had offered themselves for enrollment and organization, and they alone could be relied on as loyal citizens. As an evidence of this fact, I would state that a captain of a militia company, composed of white men, in this city, having applied to me for ammunition, I asked him if he would obey my orders as Commander-in-Chief, in the event of an armed collision arising from an attempt to enforce the laws, to which he frankly replied: "In case of difficulty, I will go with my race." He was told that it was not a question of race, but a question of enforcement of the laws against those who proposed to set them at defiance. The militia were, for the most part, undisciplined and unskilled in the use of arms, for they were reared under a system of law which even forbade their having a fire-arm in their possession. I was convinced that if put into the field they would have been

instantly confronted and attacked by a large body of veteran soldiery, well organized, and equipped with the most improved arms, and forming a part of a vast organization extending through adjacent States, with which they had easy lines of communication. In such a conflict it was evident that the militia would have been beaten—either driven back or slaughtered. In that event, I feared a general retaliation, which would have speedily made the entire State the theatre of an internecine war.

But, supposing the militia successful in such a conflict, the opposition papers and the Associated Press agents in this State would have proclaimed to the country that the State administration had, for a political purpose, inaugurated a “war of races,” and even loyal men of both parties in the North, who have no sympathy with the perpetrators of these unnatural crimes, would have been led to believe that the contest here was one between the “negro and the white man,” instead of being, as it is, an issue between the loyal friends of the Government and its disloyal enemies.

Such an impression in the country would have had a peculiarly disastrous effect upon the future of the colored population throughout the entire South.

In addition to these considerations, I thought, and still think, that it was the paramount duty of the Government of the United States to protect its loyal citizens in the enjoyment of “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”

The negro was a slave by virtue of the Constitution of the United States. By the Government of the United States he was emancipated and made a free, American citizen. The Government of the United States is, therefore, morally bound to protect him in the full exercise of his vested rights, and, if need be, to educate him to exercise those rights understandingly, for he was kept in ignorance pursuant to its laws. If the Government of the United States fails, when necessary, to discharge this duty, then emancipation was a political crime, and the negro is left to become the obedient tool or wretched victim of the disloyal enemies of the Government, and to suffer outrage because he is its friend. Moreover, I viewed the use of the military for the execution of the laws with extreme repugnance, and required that the civil authorities should first exhaust their powers through the *posse comitatus*. In the following letter, addressed to the Sheriff of Fairfield County, and published for the information and guidance of peace officers in other Counties, I enjoined upon the local Magistrates and peace officers of that County to act with vigor, and, at all hazards, to bring these criminals to justice, at least such of them as were known, and where there was proper evidence on which a warrant could issue :

"STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

"EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

"COLUMBIA, May 2d, 1871.

"To the Sheriff of Fairfield County:

"SIR—I have been credibly informed by a number of citizens of Fairfield County, as well as by your own official communication, that on the night of the 29th ultimo, a body of armed men, in disguise, rode into the town of Winnsboro, and left at the houses of several County officers a written paper, in which they were commanded to resign, and threatened with violence if they failed to obey. As you are the chief executive officer of the County, it is your duty to take measures to ascertain and bring to justice these masked violators of the public peace, and, for this purpose, you should promptly invoke all the resources which the law places at your disposal. In the last resort, should the ordinary service of process prove inadequate to make the necessary arrests, by reason of any armed combination, you will call out the *posse comitatus*, which call, I have no doubt, will be responded to by all good citizens. In all cases of this character, where citizens are put in terror by armed bands of lawless men, it is expected that the local authorities should exhaust all legal resources to give adequate protection to life and property, before the State Executive can properly intervene by extraordinary exhibitions of force, hitherto unknown to the administration of the laws in civilized communities. The failure of the proper County officers to exert their utmost vigilance to detect, and their most vigorous efforts to bring to punishment, all disturbers of the peace, will be deemed evidence of their flagrant neglect of duty or gross inefficiency. It is a grave reproach to the people of Winnsboro, that a band of fifty disguised horsemen should have been permitted to enter their town, and occupy it for several hours, with the declared purpose of putting in terror, or inflicting violence upon, the sworn public officers of the County.

"In this connection, it is proper that I should call your attention to the recent Act of Congress, which makes all citizens who are privy to any acts of organized violence, and fail to give any information in their possession that may lead to the arrest of the perpetrators, *particeps criminis* in their guilt.

"Very respectfully,

(Signed)

"ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor."

The officers did not act, being either paralyzed by fear or in sympathy with the criminals. In common with many others, the loyal men among them seemed to regard this as a purely personal government, and to expect that the Executive should discharge the duties of all the Departments of the State.

At this juncture I determined to make a final effort to restore public order without military force, and I therefore invited prominent citizens of the disaffected section to a conference with me at the capital. They were all recognized leaders of the opposition, and of acknowledged influence in their respective Counties. I had hoped much from their co-operation in the interest of law and order which they professed to advocate, knowing, as I did, that the masses of the whites in this State would, from the mere force of former discipline, heed their admonitions. The conference was held. All of these gentlemen deprecated acts of violence, but denied the existence of the Ku Klux organization in South Carolina, while some of them indirectly sought to extenuate acts of violence that they could not well deny, by referring them to what they were falsely pleased to term "negro rule."

They alleged numerous acts of incendiarism by negroes, which allegations, derived from the opposition press, and often repeated, have been proved base fabrications, in the main, designed to offset or palliate the burning of school houses erected for the instruction of colored children.

These gentlemen, however, promised me their co-operation to the end in view, and I believed them. I am not advised that any effort was made to fulfill those promises. Certainly they effected nothing. Having exhausted all the civil power under my control to suppress this insurrection against the constituted authorities, I made application, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, to the National Government to protect the State "against domestic violence."

The magnitude of this organized system of crime was made apparent to Congress, the evidence in the possession of the Government showing that the Ku Klux bands, in South Carolina, were "but parts of a stupendous whole," having a broader scope than the redress of a mere local grievance. Congress, "by appropriate legislation," having granted the necessary powers, His Excellency the President of the United States, on the 17th day of October, 1871, suspended the writ of *habeas corpus* in the Counties of Spartanburg, York, Marion, Chester, Laurens, Newberry, Fairfield, Lancaster and Chesterfield.

The County of Marion was subsequently excepted from this list, and the County of Union very properly substituted therefor—Marion having been originally embraced, instead of Union, in the first proclamation of the President, through a clerical error.

An adequate force of United States troops is now in the State, and, under the direction of an energetic and discreet commanding officer, they are actively engaged in arresting the Ku Klux criminals wherever legal testimony of guilt is furnished.

Many persons of the suspected class have fled from the upper Counties, while at the same time protesting their innocence of crime. Flight

from arrest by officers of the law is not generally regarded as furnishing a very strong legal presumption of innocence. It would be far better, however, for the State, that all of this class should abandon it forever, than that even one industrious laborer should be murdered or driven away from the pursuits of useful industry. The former are usually drones in the human hive, while upon the products of the toiling mass repose the whole wealth and prosperity of the State.

I am officially informed that thus far about six hundred arrests have been made in this State, under the Act of Congress. The persons arrested, and now, for the most part, held for trial, represent almost every class in society; from the humble laborer and small farmer, to the wealthy planter, practicing physician, lawyer, and minister of the Gospel.

I have endeavored to be historically exact in recording what must pass into history as a reproach to American civilization, and is now known of all men as the shame of the State. It presents the most extraordinary spectacle of a complete relapse from civilization into barbarism known in the annals of mankind; surpassing, in its atrocity, the "Thugism" of India, for the Thug spares woman and the aged, but the Ku Klux exempts none from his vengeance, in his effort to strangle Republicanism. If any impartial man, jealous of the honor of his kind, hesitates to believe such things possible in a civilized community, let him visit the jail in this city. He will there find scores of the veritable actors in these deeds of blood, many of whom have voluntarily confessed their crimes as Ku Klux, these last being poor, deluded men, to whom I trust the utmost clemency of the national Executive will be extended, for they are but the blinded victims of their cultivated leaders.

Some of them but recently showed, or offered to show, their scarred backs to a distinguished United States Senator from Rhode Island, (Mr. Sprague,) they having been lashed by order of officers of their own Klan, because, when ordered to shoot men marked for murder, they had, out of natural pity, "*only whipped*" the intended victims.

Those who, with an air of indignation, and with a well-affected concern for constitutional liberty and "State sovereignty," demand who has caused the military intervention of the United States in the affairs of the State, may be justly referred to the Ku Klux and their organizers and aiders and abettors, for their answer.

In the foregoing remarks, I have reluctantly used political designations, contrary to what I deem a proper custom in a Message of the Chief Magistrate of the State, who, in his official capacity, should know no party. But I found this unavoidable, in treating of these great crimes, that sprang solely from political causes; nor can I regard men loyal to the Government who set its laws at defiance, and use every means in their power to destroy its very existence.

THE TAX PAYERS' CONVENTION.

In the month of May last a highly respectable body of citizens, styling themselves "The Tax Payers' Convention," assembled at the State Capital, for the ostensible purpose of making inquisition into the financial administration of the State. They were furnished every facility to prosecute their proposed investigation, and the books, records and papers of the several bureaus in the Executive Department were unreservedly laid open to their inspection. The result of this investigation, prosecuted with great diligence, was, that they gave a reluctant confirmation, in the main, to the official debt statement, which they had primarily assembled to discredit.

Having been requested by the Convention, through its Committee, to extend the time for the payment of taxes, in the cases of those to whom it was not expedient to pay, or who could not make payment within the prescribed period, I informed them that the tax books would be opened in November for the receipt of taxes, but, in cases where parties are unable to pay, or could not pay without a sacrifice, I would extend the time to March the first, without the delinquent penalty attaching. Pursuant to my promise, I have directed the proper officers to grant an extension in every such case, that may be certified to them by the person asking it.

MINORITY REPRESENTATION.

The subject of minority representation engaged the earnest attention of the "Tax Payers' Convention," and they presented many cogent reasons for its immediate adoption into the elective system of this State. In accordance with my promise to them, I present this important matter for your gravest consideration.

I recognize the *principle* of minority representation as both wise and just. It secures to the several party divisions in the State a direct and proportional representation in its administration. It thus institutes a check and balance against that injudicious or oppressive exercise of power that is too apt to ensue where its undivided possession is held by a large party majority. The advantages of the system have been recently exemplified in practice at elections in England and in the States of Pennsylvania and Illinois. In those States, however, citizens divide into parties upon questions merely affecting the State or national policies, and they seek only by legitimate means to elevate to power the exponents of their views. There no man's party affiliation furnishes any just presumption against his loyalty to his country, and no citizen who is loyal is, for that cause, subjected to the hazards of murder, exile and the lash, or the certainty of public and social proscription.

Here, on the contrary, the minority are organized upon a basis which

practically calls in question the very principles, and the fundamental law upon which the State and National Governments repose.

The end sought by the proposed system could long since have been practically accomplished, but for the bitter spirit of intolerance engendered and fostered by party leaders of the opposition among their followers.

I have been at all times ready, as is well known, to co-operate with all moderate men, without regard to party affiliations, in securing the election to public office of those only who were worthy and well qualified. My own course in this regard has not only been illustrated by the Executive appointments, but by the personal aid that I have invariably extended to elevate to public position those native whites who, although classed, at the time, with the opposition, were gentlemen of character and intelligence, and fair and temperate in their political views. In proof of this I instance, with great gratification, Chief Justice Moses, and Circuit Judges Ex-Governor J. L. Orr, Green, Melton, Graham and Farmer, [the last an *ad interim* Executive appointment,] to whose elevation to the bench I gave my cordial support. These gentlemen were all trusted and honored under the ancient *regime*, and will compare favorably, in point of personal character and capacity, with any citizen of the State.

I submit, however, for your deliberate consideration, whether the men who are now demanding the establishment by law of the system of minority representation, are entitled to this act of magnanimity at your hands. It is for you to determine whether the line of policy pursued by them since the adjournment of the Tax Payers' Convention, tends to commend the speedy adoption by you of an elective system, which must largely increase the number of those in the General Assembly who are hostile to our system of free government.

FREE COMMON SCHOOLS.

The State Superintendent of Education states that he had hoped to be able to submit, in a full and complete form, his third annual report, but found several of the annual reports of the County School Commissioners so inexcusably defective, that he was compelled to return them for correction, and, on this account, the completion of his report has been unavoidably delayed.

The following general statements are presented :

The scholastic population of the State, as shown by the census of 1869, is as follows:

White males.....	40,956
Colored males.....	58,776
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Total males.....	99,732

White females.....	41,240
Colored females.....	56,207
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Total females.....	97,447
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Total white.....	82,196
Total colored.....	114,983
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Total scholastic population, 1869.....	197,179

The returns of this year will show a scholastic population amounting, in the aggregate, to more than 200,000.

The whole number of pupils attending the Free Common Schools of the State, for the scholastic year 1871, is about 67,098.

The whole number of Free Common Schools in the State is 1,639.

The whole number of School Districts in the State is 462.

The Free Common Schools throughout the State are kept open about six months in the year.

The whole number of teachers employed in the public schools is as follows:

Males	1,150
Females.....	705
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Total.....	1,855

The average salary paid to teachers is \$35 per month.

The following is an exhibit of the school funds of the State for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1871:

Regular legislative appropriation....	\$150,000
Amount of poll tax collected, estimated at.....	50,000
Deficiency appropriation.....	40,000
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Total	\$240,000

A majority of the School Districts in the State have voted a school tax, but the Superintendent has no means of ascertaining the aggregate amount.

There is evidently a lack of interest in the cause of Free Common School Education, and it is hoped that some practical and simple plan for raising a school revenue, by means of local taxation, will be speedily devised, and that the people interested in the general results of education, will, through their personal influence, aid in extending means. A reasonable degree of progress, taking into due consideration the adversities and difficulties encountered, has been achieved in the educational work during the scholastic year. The school attendance for the year 1871 more than doubles that of 1870. The "School Law," though not faultless, will not fail to produce very favorable results, if it be properly

enforced, and the Superintendent testifies that the people are gradually acquiring an interest in the cause of public schools.

It will be noticed that \$35 per month has been paid to teachers, male and female, throughout the State. I am surprised at the high average of compensation paid for this service, as it is well known that the qualifications of a large portion of these teachers would not enable them to earn over one-third of the pay now received in any other vocation they might adopt. It is the duty of the General Assembly to interpose in the expenditure of the appropriation for this purpose, and, while advancing the means of education, limit the amount paid teachers to such a compensation as their services would legitimately command. In the higher grades of schools in our towns and cities the teachers who can fill the situations are entitled to compensation in proportion to their qualifications; but in the country schools it is a well known fact that the teachers generally employed can do but little more than impart the rudiments of a common school education, and yet they receive the pay of first class teachers. This extravagance in disbursing the appropriations for schools is one of the principal causes that embarrasses the Superintendent of Education.

In no portion of the United States are school teachers regarded as beneficiaries of the State, but they adopt the vocation as a means of gaining a livelihood, and in country places the cost of living is a mere trifle, and the compensation is proportionably reduced. The same rule should be adopted here that prevails in other sections of the country, and School Commissioners should give this their attention, for, to my personal knowledge, very large and extravagant claims for the services of teachers have been favorably acted upon by the Legislature, whereas the parties making the claims could not have earned twenty-five per cent. of the compensation demanded, thus robbing the children who needed the benefit of the appropriation for educational purposes. I trust this matter will engage your earnest attention, as it must be patent to every member of the Legislature that the foregoing is no exaggerated statement of the waste of public school funds.

I would further recommend that you memorialize Congress, through our Representatives, on the adoption of a National system of Education, and more especially on the subject of contributing means towards the education of that class of children of the Southern States who have been hitherto totally deprived of the means of education, in pursuance of the Constitution and laws of the State and nation. At the close of the recent rebellion, those held in slavery were turned loose upon the world with neither education, or even houses to shelter them, but were left to the mercy of those who had but recently held them in bondage. It could scarcely be expected that assistance would voluntarily be rendered

them by those who felt that a great wrong had been inflicted on themselves by the loss of this class of legal property. They have, therefore, before them years of struggling and hardship, before they can, unaided, succeed in educating their children, and prepare them for the duties of citizenship. A national system of education, supported by the General Government, would secure equal advantages to all classes of children.

THE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

The report of the Board of Regents of the Lunatic Asylum, including the Annual Report of the Superintendent and Physician, communicates much valuable and interesting information in relation to this important institution. And the valuable suggestions of the Superintendent are earnestly recommended to the attention of the Legislature. The Regents speak of the Superintendent (Dr. Ensor) as having, during the past year, effected many long needed reforms in the affairs of the Asylum, and, by his intelligent and untiring exertions, made very decided improvements in its various departments, and thus contributed largely to the comfort of his unfortunate charge.

The various statistical tables referring to the operations and condition of the Asylum are full and satisfactory. The number of patients admitted during the year was 125, of which 71 were males and 54 females. The number of patients in the Asylum, October 31, 1871, was 370: whites 295; colored, 75; 185 males, and 187 females; of whom 30 were discharged cured, 10 improved, 3 unimproved, and 32 died. The supposed causes of insanity of the patients admitted during the year was: Hereditary, 12; Epilepsy, 10; Consumption, 5; Intemperance, 5; Domestic Trouble, 5; Child-birth, 5; Congenital, 6; Masturbation, 4; Typhoid Fever, 3; Menengitis, 2; Eating Opium, 2; Injuries to Head, 2; Uterine Diseases, 2; Softening of the Brain, 2; Hepatic Derangement, 2; Heart Disease, 2; and there were one each of Syphilis, Influence of Puberty, Exposure in the Army, Malarious Poisoning, Cancer, Pregnancy, Suspension of Menses, Bad Health, Unknown. The form of insanity in patients admitted during the year was: Acute Mania, 16; Chronic Mania, 11; Puerperal Mania, 5; Dementia, 20; Imbecility, 11; Epilepsy, 11; Melancholia, 14; Idiocy, 7; Delusional Insanity, 20; Monomania, 2; Hysterical Mania, 3; Dypomania, 1.

A larger number of patients have been admitted than in any previous year, and the whole number under treatment during the year was greater than ever before.

The receipts of the Asylum have been, from patients,	\$ 9,824 78
From the State Treasurer.....	34,000 00
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Indebtedness of the Institution, on account of this
year's transactions..... \$21,271 48

With this brief resume I must refer you to the reports of the Board of Regents and Superintendent for a more detailed statement of the affairs of the Asylum. Some important suggestions have been made, which space does not permit me to notice at length. I must say, however, in providing the necessary appropriations to extend the usefulness of this humane Institution, as recommended by its officers, I feel it my duty to caution you against making more liberal appropriations than the income of the State at present justifies.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA PENITENTIARY.

The Board of Directors of the South Carolina Penitentiary furnishes the annual report of the Superintendent of the institution, with its accompanying exhibits, showing fully and satisfactorily its practical workings. I regret that the late hour at which it was furnished precludes a more exhaustive analysis of its contents, which throw much light on the workings of this institution, so important not only to the material interests of the State, but to the moral and industrial interests of its inmates. I can do but little more than refer you to this report, and call your attention to its recommendations.

The expenditures of the Penitentiary for the year ending October 15, 1870, for all purposes, amounted to \$104,134.02, and the value of work done and manufactured articles produced, to \$98,626.02, which leaves \$5,558 as the actual cost to the State of its Penitentiary, an exhibit which reflects much credit upon the Superintendent and Board of Directors for the efficient management of the institution, as well as to their subordinates, for the skill and zeal with which they have directed their labors.

On the 15th day of October, 1870, the Penitentiary con-
tained 317 inmates.
Received under sentence since..... 231
Recaptured..... 9
Total during the year..... 557
From which were discharged by expiration of sen-
tence 69
Pardoned..... 153
Died..... 13
Escaped..... 13—248
Number now in confinement..... 309

Whereof 301 are males and 8 females. Two of the latter have each a child, one of which was born a short time after the mother's arrival. The evils adverted to in the Superintendent's last report, of imprisoning women in a penal institution unprovided with facilities and conveniences necessary for an absolute separation of the sexes, are still unabated, and it is earnestly hoped that they may be provided for in some appropriate asylum.

The estimates accompanying the Superintendent's report, which he claims will admit of no abatement, for salaries, materials, clothing, &c., aggregates in the neighborhood of \$130,000. In addition to which there is an actual deficiency of \$17,457, the items and the necessity for the expenditure of which are explained. The erection of permanent workshops is of imperative necessity for the welfare and true prosperity of the institution. The time is rapidly approaching when the unskilled labor now utilized must be dispensed with, and the force now so employed will have to be otherwise occupied, by gradually instructing them in the mechanic arts appropriate to an institution of this kind; and, if provision is not made in time for teaching the inmates these industries, much loss will be incurred by the State, and disease and demoralization result to the convicts.

It will be seen from the above table that one hundred and fifty-three (153) convicts have been pardoned during the past year. Of these eighty-five were pardoned on the recommendations of presiding Judges and the petitions of numerous good citizens of the Counties in which they were convicted, and sixty-eight, when within a few days of the expiration of their sentences, for good conduct.

Very harsh criticism has been indulged regarding an alleged excessive use of the pardoning power. This criticism is unwarranted, and leaves out of view the causes that have invited and justified the exercise of Executive clemency. In many cases unimpeachable testimony, now of record in the Executive Department, has clearly shown that their conviction was contrary to the evidence and due to political prejudice; and, in others, that the witnesses were in conspiracy to effect the conviction of the accused; while a still larger number were convicted of such minor offences as did not appear to me to warrant their imprisonment in the Penitentiary for any great length of time. As an instance of the last named class, I cite the case of a convict who was sentenced to a term of eighteen (18) months' imprisonment in the Penitentiary for stealing a few ears of corn, amounting to less than a peck, from the feed box of his employer's horses. The current statement, that pardons have been granted by me in a spirit of partisanship, discriminating in favor of colored convicts, is not true. I have granted as many pardons to white as I have to colored convicts, in proportion to their respective

numbers. During the past year I have granted but two pardons to homicides, and both of these convicts were *white men*, one from Camden and the other from Charleston, and, in both cases, the victims of the homicides were colored.

The whole number of pardons granted by me does not exceed the number granted by my predecessors, for the same period, when compared with the number of convictions. Moreover, under previous administrations, the penalties for petty offences were not as severe as they are now, there being then no penitentiary system of imprisonment at hard labor.

QUARANTINE.

The report of Dr. Robert Lebby, Health Officer for the port of Charleston, refers officially to the "presence of yellow fever in the city during the past season." He claims that the rigid and successful execution of the Quarantine Act of 1868 in the harbor of Charleston, and on the seacoast line of South Carolina, has prevented the introduction of yellow fever into the cities and towns of this State by importation; and, while Charleston has severely suffered from epidemic yellow fever, and a type of the same fever, to a limited extent, appeared in Beaufort, there is no evidence whatever to induce the belief that the disease was introduced by importation, but that it was dependent entirely upon local causes. The disease has been very fatal on unacclimated persons, especially the German population. The colored population has suffered more than in any other epidemic form of fever that has appeared in Charleston for thirty years. If this form of fever has been imported, it certainly was not by vessels or across the bar of Charleston."

Among the Quarantine Acts requiring legislative amendment, Dr. Lebby forcibly recommends the exclusion of dead bodies of persons brought from Northern cities for interment, between the 1st day of May and 31st day of October. The same restrictions that are placed upon vessels should apply to express and railroad companies. Dr. Lebby's recommendation on subjects connected with his department are entitled to much weight, and I respectfully submit them to your consideration.

Legislative provision is recommended for quarantine protection for the rivers emptying into St. Helena Sound, and also for a protection from the infection of small-pox, now extensively prevailing in the port of Philadelphia. An appropriation is asked for the keeper's salary and the repairs of the Lazaretto.

LIBRARY AND CAPITOL BUILDING.

I call your attention to the recommendations of the State Librarian, who has charge of the capitol and grounds, many of which are import-

ant, such as the required repairs to the roof of the capitol, and fencing of the grounds. I must say, however, in all matters that relate to appropriations that are of no immediate necessity, the expenditure of public money should be avoided.

FERTILIZERS.

The report of the Inspector of Guanos and Fertilizers shows a largely increased production of phosphatic manures, and largely expanded facilities for collecting them. The total production of the phosphatic beds of South Carolina, for the year, both land and river, has been forty-five thousand tons, and during the same period fifteen thousand tons of commercial fertilizers have been manufactured in Charleston. The demand for phosphatic rock has increased in foreign markets, but at home, in consequence of the diminished domestic consumption, has, at best, remained stationary. The Inspector states that the advance towards a higher standard in quality still continues, and his Laboratory has been equipped with a complete outfit of apparatus, chemicals and specimens, drawn from the best European and American sources, and sufficient for investigation in all departments of analytical chemistry.

STATE ORPHAN ASYLUM.

The late hour at which the report of the Board of Trustees of the State Orphan Asylum, at Charleston, was received, renders it impossible for me to do more than call the attention of the General Assembly to its recommendations and suggestions. This institution is deserving of the fostering care of the State, as it shelters and provides for a large number of orphans, who would otherwise be left on the cold charities of the world, to become victims of vice and immorality.

THE BLUE RIDGE RAILROAD.

This road, in which both the State and the City of Charleston has had so large an interest in stock, has been the subject of anxiety on the part of both the Legislature and the people. The depreciation in the State finances has rendered the bonds endorsed by the State almost valueless, so far as the State guarantee was concerned. After consulting many prominent business men, who favored the plan, I recommended to the Sinking Fund Commission the propriety of disposing of the State stock to a private corporation, which project was carried into effect on the 22d day of July last, the new company agreeing to pay all floating debts of the road, together with one dollar per share to the State for the stock, and fifty thousand dollars to the State on the completion of the road, the whole to be completed within five years. It is a well established fact

that public enterprises can be managed more economically by a private corporation than by a commonwealth, as, in the latter case, such enterprises are at all times subject to the baleful influence of politics. I believe this company will complete the road in accordance with their agreement.

ELECTION LAW.

I must urge on the General Assembly the necessity of making some changes in the Election Law, in order to close the door against the charge of offering opportunity for the practice of fraud, in giving so long a period between receiving the ballots and the time for counting them. The ballot-box should be carefully guarded in every respect, as in its purity rests the foundation of Republican institutions and the liberties of the people.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES.

I respectfully submit for appropriate action the following document, from the Governor of Pennsylvania, in reference to the commemoration, at Philadelphia, in the year 1876, of the Centennial Anniversary of the Independence of the United States:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,

HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, March 29th, 1871.

To His Excellency ROBERT K. SCOTT,

Governor of South Carolina:

DEAR SIR—Permit me to invite your attention to the following Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, approved March 8, 1871, to wit:

“That the Governor, and three persons appointed by him, Wm. A. Wallace and James H. Webb, Speakers of the Senate and House, with three members of each branch of the Legislature, to be appointed by the Speakers of the Senate and House respectively, shall be a committee of the State of Pennsylvania, to co-operate with committees from other States and local committees upon the subject of the Centennial Celebration, at Philadelphia, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, said committee to stand until that time, and to report at each intervening Legislature, and make such suggestions and recommendations, from time to time, to the Legislature, as they may think proper and expedient in reference to said Centennial Celebration.”

One of the most prominent objects of this resolution is to perfect the necessary preliminary organization at the earliest practicable date, and

to gather all necessary information and material to facilitate the operations of the United States Board of Commissioners, to be appointed by the President of the United States, upon the recommendation of the Governors of the different States and Territories, in accordance with an Act of Congress "to provide for celebrating the one hundredth Anniversary of American Independence, by holding an International exhibition of arts, manufactures and products of the soil and mines, in the city of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

It is desired and intended that this Centennial Celebration shall be the grandest affair that has ever taken place, and it is highly important that every possible means shall be employed for the attainment of that object. I therefore most respectfully request and recommend that you direct the attention of your Legislature to the importance of appointing a special committee; at its earliest convenience, to co-operate with the Committee of Pennsylvania, in conformity with the provisions of the Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

JNO. W. GEARY.

I also invite your attention to the Act of Congress, (Statutes at Large, Vol. 16, page 470,) on the above subject. South Carolina being one of the original States, it is my opinion that she should be represented by a Special Committee.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, gentlemen of the General Assembly, I desire to express my earnest hope that in all your deliberations you will remember that the only path of safety is the path of duty.

I trust and believe that you will so legislate in the interest of the whole people of the State as to prove to the country at large that Republicanism and good government in South Carolina are not, as is falsely alleged, inconsistent with each other.

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the reading of the Message was suspended until to-morrow, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. WHIPPER announced the death of Mr. Charles S. Kuh, Representative from Beaufort County, and moved that a Special Committee o

five be appointed to draft a series of resolutions in commemoration of his death.

Mr. DENNIS moved, as a mark of respect, that the House do now adjourn till to-morrow, at 12 M.

Agreed to by a vote, on division, of yeas, 47 ; nays, 19.

At 1:20 P. M. the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL,

COLUMBIA, S. C., November 28, 1871.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives.

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to inform you that the Treasurer of the State has not sent to this office his monthly report for the month of October, nor his annual report for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1871, and I am, therefore, unable to lay before the General Assembly of the State my annual report of the financial transactions of her public officers, as required by law.

I also regret to inform you that the Financial Agent of the State has failed to make quarterly reports to this office, as required by the Act of Assembly, approved March 26th, 1869 ; and I deem it but just to myself to state that I have notified the said Agent of the requirements of the law on this subject very frequently during the past year, but all without receiving any response whatever. I have also given notice to His Excellency the Governor of the failure of the Financial Agent to make the reports due, and have asked him to lay the matter before the Financial Board, that they might take such action as they deemed proper.

It will afford me pleasure to comply with the requirements of the law as soon as the reports herein referred to shall have been received.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. L. NEAGLE, . .

Comptroller General.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the communication was received as information.

The reading of the Annual Message of His Excellency the Governor, which had been suspended by the House yesterday, was resumed.

The reading of the Message was suspended temporarily to consider the following

PAPER FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That when the General Assembly adjourns this day, it stand adjourned until Monday next, 12 M.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "Monday," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Saturday."

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved an amendment to the amendment, by striking out the word "Saturday," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Friday."

On this he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 74 ; nays, 23. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Barker, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Keith, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—74.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Farr, Goodson, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, McDaniels, Mobley,

Myers, Nerland, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace and Whipper.—23.

On the question of agreeing to the amendment to strike out the word "Monday," and insert in lieu thereof the word "Friday,"

Mr. JERVEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 64; nays, 32. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—64.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bosemon, Boston, Byas, Corwin, Dennis, Farr, Gantt, Goodson, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Kennedy, Lee, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nerland, Reedish, Saunders, Smart, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Whipper and Yocom.—32.

On the question of concurring in the resolution, as amended,

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 65; nays, 30. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, James Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—65.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Byas, E. Cain, Dennis, Farr, Gantt, Goodson, Samuel Greene, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Hudson, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Kennedy, Lee, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Smart, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas and Whipper.—30.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 2.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, November 29, 1871.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day returned, without my signature,

An Act to charter the North-western Railroad Company, in the State of South Carolina.

By an Act passed at the last session of the Legislature, entitled "An Act to promote the consolidation of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company and the Blue Ridge Railroad Company," the material portions of this Act were incorporated, and it is, therefore, unnecessary to re-enact them.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the further consideration was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday next, December 4, at 2 P. M.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 3.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, November 29, 1871.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day returned, without my signature,

An Act to provide for Teachers' Institutes.

While there is nothing in the Act to call for my disapproval, I am averse to legalizing any measure that will, in the slightest degree, increase the expenditures of the Government in the present embarrassed condition of the public finances.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the Message and Bill were referred to the Committee on Education.

The reading of the Annual Message of the Governor was resumed and concluded.

Mr. WHIPPER moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Annual Message of the Governor. on Tuesday next, December 5, at 1 P. M. Agreed to.

The unfinished business being the election of a Committee of one from each County on Subordinate Officers and Attachees, pursuant to a resolution previously adopted, was considered.

The SPEAKER stated that nominations were in order.

Mr. MOBLEY nominated Mr. E. Cain, of Abbeville County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. E. Cain are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, Kennedy, Lee, Litchfield, Littlefield, McDaniels, Mobley, Moore, Nerland, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—69.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. E. Cain duly elected.

Mr. WILSON nominated Mr. W. D. Wilkes, of Anderson County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. W. D. Wilkes are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper, White and Wilson.—82.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. W. D. Wilkes duly elected.

Mr. FERGUSON nominated Mr. C. D. Hayne, of Barnwell County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. C. D. Hayne are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bowley, Byas, E.

Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smalls, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—83.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. C. D. Hayne duly elected.

Mr. BASCOMB nominated Mr. H. B. Myers, of Beaufort County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. N. B. Myers are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—84.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. N. B. Myers duly elected.

Mr. LEVY nominated Mr. W. R. Jervey, of Charleston County.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON nominated Mr. P. P. Hedges, of Charleston.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. W. R. Jervey are:

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—75.

Those who voted for Mr. P. P. Hedges are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Ferguson, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, C. D. Hayne, Hudson, Jones and Ramsay.—11.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. W. R. Jervey, having received a majority of votes given, was duly elected.

Mr. SAUNDERS nominated Mr. B. G. Yocom, of Chester County.

Mr. MOBLEY nominated Mr. S. Saunders, of Chester County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. B. G. Yocom are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humphries, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White and Wilkes.—60.

Those who voted for Mr. S. Saunders are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Crittenden, Ferguson, Goodson, Hart, Hudson, Humbert, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Miles, Mobley, Sellers, Thompson and Wilson.—16.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. B. G. Yocom, having received a majority of the votes given, was duly elected.

Mr. J. P. SINGLETON nominated Mr. William Littlefield, of Chesterfield County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. Wm. Littlefield are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Dennis, Ellison, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.—53.

Those who voted for Mr. J. P. Singleton are :

Messrs. Gaither, Levy, Mobley, Ramsay, Simons, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas and J. W. Thomas.—9.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. Wm. Littlefield, having received a majority of the votes given, was duly elected.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON nominated Mr. Jared Warley, of Clarendon County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. Jared Warley are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dennis, Derrick, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.—70.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. Jared Warley duly elected.

Mr. TARLTON nominated Mr. W. M. Thomas, of Colleton County.

Mr. HOLMES nominated Mr. F. J. Maddocks, of Colleton County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. W. M. Thomas are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, Dennis, Derrick, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lee, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—46.

Those who voted for Mr. F. J. Maddocks are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, L. Cain, Corwin, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Mobley, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, J. W. Thomas and Wallace.—27.

Pending the announcement of the vote, at 3 P. M., in accordance with the Rules, the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and, a quorum not appearing,

On motion of Mr. LEE, at 12:10 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business being the continuance of the election of the Committee on Subordinate Officers and Attachees, the same was resumed.

The SPEAKER announced that Mr. W. M. Thomas, having received a majority of the votes given, had been elected as member of the Committee from Colleton County, (*Vide* Journal, Wednesday, November 29.)

Mr. HART nominated Mr. R. H. Humbert, of Darlington County.

Mr. HENDERSON nominated Mr. S. J. Keith, of Darlington County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. R. H. Humbert are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—78.

Those who voted for Mr. S. J. Keith are:

Messrs. Allen, Farr, Glover, Henderson and Miller—5.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. R. H. Humbert, having received a majority of the votes given, was elected.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON nominated Mr. L. Cain, of Edgefield.

Mr. RIVERS nominated Mr. S. J. Lee, of Edgefield.

The roll was called with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. L. Cain are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Garey, Glover, Goggins, John A. Green, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, Milton, Mobley, Nehemias, Nuckles, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton,

J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom—57.

Those who voted for Mr. S. J. Lee are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Briggs, L. Cain, Crews, Davis, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Litchfield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Pendergrass, Perry, Rivers, Simons, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson and Wilkes.—40.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. L. Cain, having received a majority of the votes given, was elected.

Mr. MOORE nominated Mr. W. J. McDowell, of Fairfield County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. W. J. McDowell are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, J. L. Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Wilkes and Wilson.—73.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. W. J. McDowell elected.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON nominated Mr. T. D. McDowell, of Georgetown County.

Mr. FERGUSON nominated Mr. W. H. Jones, Jr., of Georgetown County.

Mr. ELLIOTT nominated Mr. J. A. Bowley, of Georgetown County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. J. A. Bowley are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Tay-

lor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—78.

Those who voted for Mr. W. H. Jones, Jr., are:

Messrs. Cousart, Ferguson, Guffin, C. D. Hayne, Kennedy, S. J. Lee, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Rivers and Thompson.—10.

Those who voted for Mr. T. D. McDowell are:

Messrs. Bowley, Gardner, Frost, W. J. McDowell and A. L. Singleton.—5.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. J. A. Bowley, having received a majority of the votes given, was elected.

Mr. TAYLOR nominated Mr. S. S. Crittenden, of Greenville County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. S. S. Crittenden are:

Messrs Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—78.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. S. S. Crittenden elected.

Mr. DUSENBURY nominated Mr. G. T. Litchfield, of Horry County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. G. T. Litchfield are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—82.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. G. T. Litchfield elected.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON nominated F. Adamson, of Kershaw County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. F. Adamson are :

Messrs. Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Johnson, Keith, Litchfield, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—72.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. Frank Adamson elected.

Mr. COUSART nominated Mr. A. Hudson, of Lancaster County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. A. Hudson are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—72.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. A. Hudson elected.

Mr. GARDNER nominated Mr. Joseph Crews, of Laurens County.

The roll was called with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. Joseph Crews are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—69.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. Joseph Crews elected.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS nominated Mr. F. W. Derrick, of Lexington County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. F. W. Derrick are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, John A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, William M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford—69.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. F. W. Derrick elected.

Mr. SELLERS nominated Mr. F. A. Miles, of Marion County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. F. A. Miles are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—77.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. F. A. Miles elected.

Mr. KEITH nominated Mr. J. W. Thomas, of Marlboro County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. J. W. Thomas are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—69.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. J. W. Thomas elected.

Mr. HENDERSON nominated Mr. H. C. Corwin, of Newberry County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. H. C. Corwin are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckels, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—81.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. H. C. Corwin elected.

Mr. DUNCAN nominated Mr. O. M. Doyle, of Oconee County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. O. M. Doyle are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—81.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. O. M. Doyle elected.

Mr. BYAS nominated Mr. J. L. Jamison, of Orangeburg County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. J. L. Jamison are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith,

Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—80.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. J. L. Jamison elected.

Mr. SELLERS nominated Mr. J. E. Hagood, of Pickens County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. J. E. Hagood are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—80.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. J. E. Hagood elected.

Mr. SIMONS nominated Mr. S. B. Thompson, of Richland County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. S. B. Thompson, are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—75.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. S. B. Thompson elected.

Mr. WOFFORD nominated Mr. R. M. Smith, of Spartanburg County.

The roll was called, with the following result ;

Those who voted for Mr. R. M. Smith are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin,

The SPEAKER declared Mr. J. W. Thomas elected.

Mr. HENDERSON nominated Mr. H. C. Corwin, of Newberry County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. H. C. Corwin are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckels, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—81.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. H. C. Corwin elected.

Mr. DUNCAN nominated Mr. O. M. Doyle, of Oconee County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. O. M. Doyle are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—81.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. O. M. Doyle elected.

Mr. BYAS nominated Mr. J. L. Jamison, of Orangeburg County.

The roll was called, with the following result :

Those who voted for Mr. J. L. Jamison are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith,

Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—80.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. J. L. Jamison elected.

Mr. SELLERS nominated Mr. J. E. Hagood, of Pickens County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. J. E. Hagood are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—80.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. J. E. Hagood elected.

Mr. SIMONS nominated Mr. S. B. Thompson, of Richland County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. S. B. Thompson, are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—75.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. S. B. Thompson elected.

Mr. WOFFORD nominated Mr. R. M. Smith, of Spartanburg County.

The roll was called, with the following result;

Those who voted for Mr. R. M. Smith are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin,

Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—75.

The SPEAKER declared Mr. R. M. Smith elected.

Mr. T. D. McDOWELL nominated Mr. A. L. Singleton, of Sumter County.

Mr. GAREY nominated Mr. W. W. Ramsay, of Sumter County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. A. L. Singleton are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Frost, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Litchfield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—62.

Those who voted for W. W. Ramsay are:

Messrs. Bowley, Bryan, Doyle, Gaither, Garey, Hudson, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Wallace, Wofford and Yocom.—14.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. A. L. Singleton, having received a majority of the votes given, was elected.

Mr. BYAS nominated Mr. J. S. Mobley, of Union County.

Mr. NUCKLES nominated Mr. S. Farr, of Union County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. J. S. Mobley are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, Guffin, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Wilkes and Yocom.—50.

Those who voted for Mr. Farr are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hedges, Litchfield, Nehemias, Nuckles, Sellers, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, White and Wilson.—25.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. J. S. Mobley, having received a majority of the votes given, was elected.

Mr. ELLIOTT nominated Mr. F. H. Frost, of Williamsburg County.

Mr. JAMISON nominated Mr. J. Pendergrass, of Williamsburg County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. F. H. Frost are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Cousart, Crews, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hedges, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Lang, Litchfield, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Rivers, Sellers, Simons, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom—55.

Those who voted for Mr. J. Pendergrass are:

Messrs. Bowley, Bryan, Dannerly, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Maddocks, McDaniels, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Ramsay, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Small, Abraham Smith, Tarlton and Warley.—28.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. F. H. Frost, having received a majority of the votes given, was elected.

Mr. BRIGGS nominated Mr. J. W. Mead, of York County.

Mr. HENDERSON nominated Mr. P. J. O'Connell, of York County.

The roll was called, with the following result:

Those who voted for Mr. J. W. Mead are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Perry, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—69.

Those who voted for Mr. P. J. O'Connell are:

Messrs. Adamson, Corwin, Dannerly, Garey, Giles, J. A. Green, Henderson, Jackson, Lang, T. D. McDowell and Pendergrass.—11.

The SPEAKER declared that Mr. J. W. Mead, having received a majority of votes given, was elected.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following :

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the Civil Jurisdiction of Trial Justices ;"

A Bill to further amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the Civil Jurisdiction of Trial Justices, and to provide a mode of Ejecting Trespassers ;"

A Bill to provide compensation for Jurors sitting as such in Trial Justices' Courts ;

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the rule requiring adjournment at 3 P. M. was suspended for this day.

The SPEAKER announced that he had, November 14th, 1871, received the resignation of Mr. J. J. Hardy, as member of the House of Representatives, from Charleston County, and, pursuant to Section 29, Article II, of the Constitution, had issued a writ of election to fill the vacancy, said election to be held November 27th, and he would now present the returns of the Commissioners of Election for Charleston County, which returns certified to the election of Mr. C. C. Bowen.

Mr. JAMISON moved that the consideration of the matter be postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, December 7, at 1 P. M.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to postpone.

Mr. THOMPSON moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 29; nays, 61. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Cou-sart, Dannerly, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Gantt, Giles, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Litchfield, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Thompson and White.—29.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Rascomb, Boston, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hart, Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervy, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R.

M Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—61.

The question recurring on the motion (by Mr. T. A. Davis) to indefinitely postpone the motion (by Mr. Jamison) to postpone the consideration of the matter relative to the qualification of Mr. C. C. Bowen, member elect from Charleston County,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 64; nays, 24. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Boston, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Goffin, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mead, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—64.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bowley, Byas, Dannerly, J. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, S. Greene, Holmes, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Litchfield, Littlefield, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Nehemias, Small and Wallace.—24.

Mr. BYAS called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the main question, which was the qualification of Mr. C. C. Bowen, member elect from Charleston County, the yeas and nays were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 74; nays, 22. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Bvas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Taylor, William M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—74.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, James Davis, Dusenbury, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, Samuel Greene, Holmes, Jamison, Jones, Litchfield, Maddocks, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Sumpter and Tarlton.—22.

The member elect, Mr. C. C. Bowen, then appeared at the Clerk's desk, was duly sworn, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, at 4:25 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. A. Weston, of Richland County.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILSON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the New Prospect Baptist Church, in the town of Williamston, in Anderson County.

Mr. WILKES gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill relating to the records of the Courts of the State of South Carolina;

A Bill to alter the mode of appointing one free student from each County to the University of the State of South Carolina;

A Bill to declare the use of certain words a misdemeanor, and to punish the same;

A Bill in relation to selling or giving spirituous liquors to habitual drunkards, and to other persons;

A Bill to reduce all Acts and parts of Acts "to determine and perpetuate the homestead" into one Act, and to amend the same;

A Bill to empower the Judges of the Probate Court, in their respective Counties, to issue executions;

A Bill to incorporate the town of Belton;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways ;"

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore passed, in the year 1855."

Also, presented presentment of Grand Jury of September Term, 1871, of Anderson County.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WILKES introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Whereas, in the political canvass, in this State, in the general election of 1870, the Republican and Reform parties alike pledged themselves to an economical administration of the State Government, so as to lessen taxation and lighten the burthens of the people; and,

Whereas, the people of the State, irrespective of party, have a right to expect, and do earnestly demand, the fulfillment of the pledges then given; and,

Whereas, His Excellency R. K. Scott, in his late Message, has earnestly recommended retrenchment in the expenditures of the Government, by abolishing some offices, consolidating others, and reducing the salaries of officers; be it, therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of three discreet members, on the part of the House, and ——— members on the part of the Senate, be appointed to consider:

First. What officers, if any, State and County, can be abolished without injury to the public service;

Second. What offices, State and County, can and should be consolidated;

Third. How far the salaries of State and County officers can be, and should be, reduced, and to fix the same.

Resolved, That this Committee be, and they are hereby, instructed to address themselves *at once* to the serious consideration of the above points, and to report thereon at the earliest day practicable, and that said Committee have leave to report by Bill or otherwise.

Mr. PERRY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to renew the Charter of the Pendleton Male Academy.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to make appropriation for the payment of milage and per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

Mr. ELLIOTT gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Mishaw Guards, of Charleston, S. C.

Also,

A Bill entitled "A Bill to license pawn-brokers in the city of Charleston."

Mr. MICKEY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to punish farmers for allowing cattle to run at large.

Mr. HEDGE3 gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act (No. 382, passed in the General Assembly of 1870 and 1871,) entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section 36 of said Act, relating to the town of Wrightsville.

Also,

A Bill authorizing and empowering W. C. Garetz and others to establish and build a wharf at Martin's Point, Wadmalaw Island, S. C.

Mr. YOCOM, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following Bills:

A Bill to provide for the punishment of embezzlement of public money, and other purposes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to prevent extortion, and to enforce official duty.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to prohibit officers from being interested in certain contracts.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities, or evidences of indebtedness.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill relative to the safe keeping of the public moneys;

A Bill concerning the State and County Treasurers;

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer.

Also, presented account of W. B. McMillan and others, for services rendered as Commissioners of Elections and Managers of Elections for Charleston County.

Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. WARLEY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the New Hope Methodist Church, of Clarendon County.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Liberty Hill Methodist Church, of Clarendon County.

Mr. HART gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the town of Society Hill.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Zion Baptist Church, Dove Depot, Darlington County, South Carolina.

Mr. BARKER gave notice that he will, on Monday next, or some subsequent day, introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools for the State of South Carolina ;"

Also introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the Committee of thirty-one, chosen under the resolution passed by this House on the 28th instant, be, and they are hereby, required and directed to proportion the number of employees and attachees by them to be chosen and designated to the ratio of representation of each of the Counties.

Mr. L. CAIN gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Phillippi Church, in Edgefield County.

Mr RIVERS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act incorporating the town of Hamburg.

Mr. SMART introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Attorney General be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint three Solicitors for the present session.

Mr. SMART, by request, was granted leave to withdraw from the files of the House the claims of D. Kennedy, for services against the State.

Also, introduced

A Joint Resolution requiring the Sterling Loan Bonds, printed by the American Bank Note Company, to be deposited in some banking institution in this State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BOWLEY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of Georgetown. Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Company, of Georgetown.

Mr. JONES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to exempt the County of Georgetown from the payment of fees of County officers and other persons mentioned in an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the fees of Probate Judges, Clerks of Courts, Trial Justices and Magistrates, and other officers therein mentioned."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. CRITTENDEN gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, in Greenville County.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Presbyterian Church at Liberty Hill, Kershaw County.

Mr. GAREY introduced the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Committee appointed at the last session of the General Assembly to investigate the financial condition of the State, be required at once to make their report, that the necessary action, if any be required, may be taken without delay.

On motion of Mr. HUMBERT, the resolution was amended by striking out the words "at once," and inserting "Thursday next."

The resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced as Special Committee to draft resolutions commemorative of the death of Mr. C. S. Kuh, late member from Beaufort County, Messrs. Whipper, Crittenden, Ellison, Keith and Bascomb.

Mr. COUSART gave notice that on Monday next, or soon thereafter, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate Mt. Carmel A. M. E. Church, of Lancaster County.

Mr. SELLERS gave notice that, on Monday next, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Town of Little Rock, in Marion County.

Mr. BOSTON introduced the following resolution, which, on motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, was laid on the table:

Resolved, That the Committee of thirty-one be required to investigate and report to this House, as early as practicable, the amount of certificates issued by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to the subordinate officers of the last session.

Mr. JAMISON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the village of Lewisville, in St. Matthew's Parish, in Orangeburg County, S. C.

Mr. SIMONS gave notice that he will on Monday next, or some subsequent day, introduce the following Bills, viz:

A Bill to renew the charter of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company, of Columbia;

A Bill to incorporate the Mechanics' and Farmers' Building and Loan Association, of Richland County.

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following Bills:

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to provide compensation for Jurors in the Courts of Trial Justices, and for the organization of the same, in their discretion, when not demanded by either of the parties.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to extend the civil jurisdiction of Trial Justices to controversies between landlord and tenant, and to authorize them to empanel juries to try the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to extend the civil jurisdiction of Trial Justices to cases of trespass upon real estate, and to establish an expeditious mode of ejecting trespassers therefrom.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will introduce

A Bill to alter and amend Section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act pro-

viding for the General Elections, and the manner of conducting the same."

Also,

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State under certain circumstances."

Also,

A Bill to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Sumter County to open a new road in the said County.

Mr. FROST gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under order of General Ed. R. S. Canby, for taxes.

Also,

A Bill to amend an Act for the relief of prosecuting witnesses in cases not capital.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church.

Also, introduced the following concurrent resolution, which, on motion of Mr. LEE, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary :

Whereas Section 13, Article V, of the Constitution of the State, provides that all Judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts shall be elected by the General Assembly, and hold their offices for specified terms; and whereas the terms of office of one Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and all the Judges of the several Circuits will expire prior to the meeting of the next General Assembly; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Monday, the 18th instant, to elect one Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and eight Circuit Judges, for the State of South Carolina.

Also, introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That no Rule of this House, except Rule 1, be amended, suspended, or rescinded, save by written resolution.

Also, introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That all resolutions, other than Joint Resolutions, presented to the House, shall lie on the table one day for consideration.

Mr. BRIGGS introduced the following resolution, which, under the Rules, was ordered to lie over for consideration :

Whereas, grievous charges of extravagance and waste of public funds have been made, in the last Annual Message of His Excellency the Gov-

ernor, against the presiding officers of the two Houses of the General Assembly; and whereas, in the present impoverished condition of the State, public opinion and justice demand that we should use every means in our power to protect our citizens and guard the public funds; therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of five members of the House, one from each Congressional District, and one from the State at large, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to examine and approve all accounts against the House of Representatives, whether such accounts are wholly against the House, or only in their portion with the Senate, before any check or order is signed by the Speaker in payment thereof; this resolution to have full force and virtue from date of passage.

Mr. LEE gave notice that on Monday next he will move to alter the Rule of the House requiring resolutions to lie over one day before the same can be considered.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. Williams, for five days;

Mr. Guffin, for five days;

Mr. Smart, for five days.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, at 2:40 P. M., the House adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1871

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. E. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce the following named Bills:

A Bill to re-charter the town of Abbeville;

A Bill authorizing the County Treasurer of Abbeville County to pay the school claims of that County for the years 1870 and 1871.

Mr. ELLISON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend the charter and extend the limits of the town of Greenwood, Abbeville County, South Carolina.

Mr. PERRY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew the charter of the Pendleton Male Academy.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. WILKES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following Bills:

A Bill relating to records of the Courts of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to alter the mode of appointing one free student from each County to the University of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to declare the use of certain words a misdemeanor, and to punish the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill in relation to selling or giving spirituous liquors to habitual drunkards, and other persons.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to reduce all Acts and parts of Acts "to determine and perpetuate the homestead" into one Act, and to amend the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to empower the Judges of the Probate Court, in their respective Counties, to issue executions.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Belton, in the County of Anderson.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore passed in the year 1855."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill in relation to dogs;

A Bill to punish abduction and seduction under promise of marriage;

A Bill to repeal Paragraph 4 of Section 81 of Title 5 of "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State," approved March 1st, 1870 ;

A Bill in relation to absconding parents ;

A Bill to punish adultery ;

A Bill to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and of jurors and witnesses in Courts of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes ;

A Bill to define and punish vagrancy ;

A Bill to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure, relating to the Circuit Courts.

Mr. WHIPPER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following :

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort ;

A Bill to amend the Code of Procedure.

Also, presented the account of W. K. Greenfield against the House of Representatives.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. MYERS introduced the following resolution, which, by unanimous consent, was considered immediately and adopted :

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be, and he is hereby, instructed to remove this day (immediately after adjournment,) the centre chandelier from this House.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills :

A Bill to amend an Act to define the duties and jurisdiction of County Commissioners, approved March 9th, 1871 ;

A Bill to designate the time and place, where and when, sales of real and personal property, or any interest therein, lying on the main land of Beaufort County, shall be made ;

A Bill to amend an Act to regulate the disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected in criminal causes by the Circuit Court of General Sessions and Trial Justices ;

A Bill to amend the 17th Section of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to make appropriation for the mileage and per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of subordinate officers, and expenses incidental thereto.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to amend Section 279 of the Code of Procedure.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House

A concurrent resolution to request the Attorney General to provide certain information relative to Solicitors in attendance on the General Assembly.

The resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also, the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the Committee on Finance of the Senate, and the Committee of Ways and Means of the House, be instructed to wait upon the Treasurer, and ascertain what moneys are now in the Treasury, and the amount paid out since October 31, 1871, and report immediately.

Mr. BOWEN offered the following concurrent resolution, as a substitute, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Whereas it is currently reported that the taxes which are now being collected and paid into the State Treasury are being paid out by the Treasurer without authority of law :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of three on the part of the House, and ——— on the part of the Senate, be immediately appointed to ascertain the amount of money paid out by the State Treasurer since the 20th day of November last, and on what account said moneys have been paid, and that said Committee report by Thursday next, at 1 P. M.

Also, returned, with concurrence, a resolution for the appointment of Joint Committee relative to the feasibility of abolishing certain offices, &c.

Also, sent the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 4.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 4, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that Messrs. Nash and Hayne have been appointed a Committee on the part of the

Senate, to act with the Committee on the part of the House, pursuant to concurrent resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee for certain purposes.

(Signed) Very respectfully,

A. J. RANSIER,
President of Senate.

Mr. BRYAN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to charter the Walboo Wharf, on Cooper River.

Mr. BOWEN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following:

A Bill to increase and define the jurisdiction of the City Court of Charleston.

Mr. HEDGES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize and empower W. C. Garrity, F. W. Towles and D. H. Towles to establish and build a wharf at Martin's Point, Wadmalaw Island, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Also,

A Bill to amend an Act (No. 382, passed in General Assembly of 1870-'71,) entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section 36 of said Act, relating to the town of Wrightsville.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. LEVY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston, S. C.

Also, presented the petition of the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston, for incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. ELLIOTT, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Mishaw Zouaves, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Company, of the city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. YOCOM, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill in relation to the safe keeping of the public moneys.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also,

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller General and State Treasurer.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also,

A Bill concerning the State and County Treasurers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. WARLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the New Hope Methodist Church, and the Liberty Hill Methodist Church, of Clarendon County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Religious and Charitable Institutions.

Mr. SMALL gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County, South Carolina.

Mr. HUMBERT gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill to regulate the salaries of County Treasurers;

A Bill to amend Section one of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected in criminal causes, by the Circuit Court of General Sessions and Trial Justices," so far as it relates to Trial Justices.

Mr. LEE introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That the Rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day before the same can be considered, be amended by adding after the last word the words "except a majority of the members present demand immediate consideration of the same."

Also, introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Whereas the Comptroller General has officially informed this House that the Treasurer of the State has neglected to make his monthly report for the month of October, 1871, as required law; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Treasurer of the State be, and he is hereby, requested to inform the General Assembly, on or before the 8th day of January, 1871, the reason why he has not made his report to the office of the Comptroller General, as required by law.

Mr. BARKER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina," approved March 6, 1871.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property."

Mr. JONES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Georgetown.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BOWLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to declare the right of common carriers.

Mr. ADAMSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to prevent public officers from discounting or forming a collusion with others in shaving pay certificates, County orders, or any claims whatever, on the State or County Treasurers.

Mr. HUDSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Whittemore Academy.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster Rifle Company.

Mr. McDANIELS gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, in Laurens County, S. C.

Mr. SELLERS gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to apportion members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of the State according to the number of inhabitants contained in each.

Mr. JAMISON gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A resolution to appoint a committee to alter and amend the Rules of this House.

Mr. BYAS gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave introduce the following :

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools for the State of South Carolina ;"

A Bill to establish a school in the State Penitentiary ;

A Bill to establish rules and regulations for the government of the Penitentiary.

Mr. SIMONS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew the charter of the Palmetto Engine Company, of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of persons, property and the public peace."

Also,

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State, under certain circumstances."

Mr. PENDERGRASS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Kingstree Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. FROST gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners."

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under orders of General E. R. S. Canby.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also,

A Bill to recharter the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church, of Williamsburg County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. O'CONNELL introduced

A Joint Resolution in regard to the bonds and stocks now in the hands of the State Treasurer.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, introduced

A Joint Resolution in regard to disposal of the taxes by County Treasurers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. WHITE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for the relief of the widows and orphans of such persons as have

een killed by the ruthless hands of an organization known as the Ku Klux.

Mr. L. CAIN, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE presented the account of L. C. Carpenter.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to alter and amend an Act regulating the fees of Trial Justices' Courts.

Also,

A Bill to regulate the number of Trial Justices for each County in this State.

Also,

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Aiken.

Mr. BOSTON moved to take up from the table a resolution to instruct the Committee on Subordinate Offices and Attachees, to report the number of pay certificates issued to employees at the last session.

Mr. JAMISON moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to take up. Agreed to.

The House proceeded to the consideration of

GENERAL ORDERS.

Resolution (by Mr. Briggs) to appoint a Special Committee to examine and approve all accounts against the House of Representatives.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

On this Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 74 ; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J.

P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—74.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Boston, Briggs, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, Mobley, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Sullivan, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, White and Yocom.—14.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

Consideration of Message No. 2 of His Excellency the Governor, returning, without his approval, an Act to charter the North-western Railroad Company, in South Carolina.

Mr. DENNIS moved that the Special Order be discharged, and made the Special Order for Thursday, December 7, at 2 P. M. Agreed to.

Mr. FROST moved to reconsider the vote whereby a concurrent resolution, relative to the election of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and the Circuit Judges, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Agreed to, and the resolution was ordered for consideration to-morrow.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. Shanklin, for ten days;

Mr. Lloyd, for ten days.

On motion of Mr. JONES, at 2:30 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back the following, and recommended that they do pass:

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Georgetown ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted," approved in the year 1855 ;

A Bill to incorporate the town of Belton, in the County of Anderson, State of South Carolina ;

A Bill to renew the charter of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company, of Columbia ;

A Bill to amend an Act (No. 382, passed in General Assembly of 1870-71,) entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section 36 of said Act, relating to the town of Wrightsville.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported back a Bill to amend an Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property, and recommended that it do pass, with the following amendments:

Strike out, in Section 2, the words "Governor, Comptroller General, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives," and insert, "Finance Committee of the Senate, Committee of Ways and Means of the House of Representatives, a majority of whom shall decide;" insert, in Section 2, after the words "General Assembly," in line 5, the words "in pursuance of appropriation made by law."

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported on Joint Resolution in regard to bonds and stocks in the hands of the State Treasurer, and Joint Resolution relative to safe-keeping of funds, by a substitute entitled "A Joint Resolution relative to bonds and stocks now in the hands of the State Treasurer."

The substitute was adopted.

The Joint Resolution was read the first time, ordered to be printed, and to lie over for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, Rule 1 was suspended for this day.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. PERRY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Pendleton.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. WILSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the New Prospect Baptist Church, in the town of Williamston, in Anderson County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. WILKES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following Bills:

A Bill to define and punish vagrancy.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill in relation to absconding parents.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to punish abduction and seduction, under promise of marriage.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to punish adultery.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to Circuit Courts.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and of jurors and witnesses, in Courts of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to repeal Paragraph 4 of Section 81, Title 5, of an Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts of this State, approved March 1, 1870.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill in relation to dogs.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. WHIPPER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following:

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to amend the 328th Section, Title IX, Chapter II, of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State," generally called the Code of Procedure.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. MYERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to designate the time and place where and when sales of real and personal property, or any interest therein, lying on the main land of Beaufort County, shall be made.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BOSEMON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston.

Also, presented a petition of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston, praying for a renewal of charter.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. JERVEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act to create a debt to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt.

Mr. HURLEY introduced the following preamble and concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Whereas sundry pieces or parcels of land belonging to the State, situate in the County of Charleston, are now advertised for sale, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of South Carolina ; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That said sale be postponed by order of the General Assembly, and that said Commissioners are hereby instructed and required to order such postponement.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and he is hereby, directed to forward a copy of the above concurrent resolution to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Also, the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of five on the part of the House, and — on the part of the Senate, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to examine into the sale of the stock of the State in the Blue Ridge Railroad Company by the Sinking Fund Commission, with power to send for persons and papers, and report, at an early day, a Bill for the recovery of the same.

Mr. BOWEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to increase and define the jurisdiction of the City Court of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. SMALL, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HOLMES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to punish certain officers therein mentioned, for charging more fees than allowed by law.

Mr. HART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, of Dove's Depot, in Darlington, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. HUMBERT, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act in relation to Trial Justices.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also,

Joint Resolution in relation to the salaries of County Treasurers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. L. CAIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Phillipi Baptist Church, of Edgefield County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BOWLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to declare the rights of common carriers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. JONES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company, of South Carolina.

Mr. CRITTENDEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. LITCHFIELD gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to charter a railroad from Little River, S. C., to the North Carolina line, *via* Adamsville, S. C.

Mr. GAITHER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Liberty Hill Presbyterian Church, of Kershaw County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. GAREY introduced

A Joint Resolution to require the Land Commissioner to report at a certain time.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. COUSART gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend Section 75 of an Act entitled "An Act to grant and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned."

Also presented

Petition of citizens of John's Island, Charleston County, asking aid for educational purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also presented

Petition of citizens of Flat Creek Township, County of Lancaster, asking for a public road.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. REEDISH gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend Section 108 of an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871.

Mr. GOODSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for relief of the heirs of William Hinton.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following:

A Bill to repeal an Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State under certain circumstances.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Sumter County to establish a certain road in said County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to alter and amend Section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. FROST gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the paying of certain costs accrued on lands sold by the County Treasurers, at the delinquent tax sales, and purchased by the State.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. BRIGGS introduced

A Joint Resolution in regard to public funds.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BOWEN introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That the action of this House, whereby the address from the Senate, in reference to the Hon. Wm. M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, was made the Special Order for the 1st of February, 1872, be, and the same is hereby, rescinded.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 5.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 4, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table House concurrent resolution requiring the Special Joint Committee, appointed at the last session to investigate the financial condition of the State, to report.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Also, the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 6.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 4, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of House concurrent resolution to

authorize the Attorney General to appoint three Solicitors for the present session.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Andell obtained leave of absence for five days.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Committee of the Whole to consider the Annual Message of His Excellency the Governor.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Mr. LEE was called to the chair.

After debate, participated in by Messrs. Whipper, Hurley, Bosemon, Hunter, Jones, Byas and Dennis,

Mr. THOMPSON introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee do now rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on Thursday, December 7, at 1 P. M.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

Mr. LEE, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again on Thursday next, at 1 P. M.

On motion, leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, at 3:45 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 M.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following:

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the memorial of Isaac W. Hayne, ex-Attorney General of the State, asking that he be paid the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars, his arrear of salary for the last six months of the year 1864, beg leave to report: That, after a careful consideration of all the papers submitted to them in the case, the State is justly indebted to Mr. Hayne in that sum, and is morally and legally bound to pay it; and for this there is a precedent, even if the claim was doubtful. The General Assembly, in 1869, ordered the payment of \$15.75 to Mr. C. D. Melton, Solicitor. This claim is precisely similar to Mr. Hayne's, with this exception, that, during the period referred to, (as the period in which the services were performed for which these charges are made,) the Courts were held in the Circuit of Mr. Hayne, and he performed the duties of his office; whilst, in Mr. Melton's Circuit, the Courts were not held, and he was not called on to perform any service as Solicitor. Now, if, under these circumstances, it was right—and your Committee holds that it was—that Mr. Melton should receive his arrearages of pay as Solicitor, is it not equally right to pay the claim of Mr. Hayne, who not only held the office of Attorney General, but, also, discharged its duties? Prior to the year 1868 the amount of the Attorney General's salary was fixed by the Act of 1837, (6 Stat., p. 77, § 5). By the provisions of this Act, and that of 1827, a contract was made by the State with a public officer, in consideration of services to be rendered during his term of office, to pay him, annually, the sum stipulated. There is no doubt that Mr. Hayne rendered the services charged for, and if the State shall fail to pay him his full salary, she would violate her agreement. This she cannot afford to do. Your Committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the following Joint Resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the Treasurer of the State be, and he is hereby, directed to pay to Isaac W. Hayne, late Attorney General, the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars, out of the funds of the State, the same being for his arrears of salary for the last six months of the year 1864.

The report was laid on the table to take up the Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was read the first time, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported (unfavorably) on

A Bill to amend Section 279 of the Code of Procedure.

Also, reported (favorably) on

A Bill to declare the use of certain words a misdemeanor, and to punish the same.

Also, (favorably) on

A Bill to empower Judges of the Probate Courts, in their respective Counties, to issue executions.

Also, (favorably) on

A Bill to regulate the granting of divorces, with amendments: In Section 2, next to the last line, strike out the word "twenty," and insert the word "eighteen;" and, on the last line, strike out the word "eighteen," and insert the word "sixteen;" in Section 7, in the 13th line, strike out the word "three," and insert the word "two;" in Section 5, strike out all after the word "nullity."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HEDGES, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back a Bill to authorize and empower W. C. Garrity, F. W. Towles and D. H. Towles to establish and build a wharf at Martin's Point, Wadmalaw Island, S. C., and recommended it do pass, with the following amendment: Insert in Section 1, after the word "collect," the words "the usual rate of."

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Subordinate Officers and Attachees, submitted the following:

A majority of the Committee elected under resolution of the House, adopted on the 28th November, 1871, to ascertain the number of attachees necessary to the House, and the pay therefor, beg leave most respectfully to submit the following report:

That they have carefully considered the subject, and recommend the following number of attachees necessary, and decree the prescribed compensation just:

16 Committee Clerks, at \$5 per day.

1 Reading Clerk, at former pay.

2 Solicitors, at former pay.

6 Messengers, at \$3 per day.

- 2 Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, at \$3 per day.
 40 Porters, at \$3 per day.
 1 Mail Carrier, at \$3 per day.
 1 Assistant Clerk, at \$6 per day.
 6 Pages, at \$1.50 per day.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

JAMES A. BOWLEY,
 FRANK ADAMSON,
 R. H. HUMBERT,
 B. G. YOCOM,
 J. W. THOMAS,
 J. S. MOBLEY,
 W. J. McDOWELL,
 J. L. JAMISON,
 E. CAIN,
 JARED WARLEY,
 A. L. SINGLETON,
 JOSEPH CREWS,
 WM. LITTLEFIELD.

Mr. CRITTENDEN presented a minority report, as follows:

The undersigned, members of the Committee of Thirty-one, elected by the House of Representatives to determine the number of subordinate officers and employees of the House, and to regulate the pay of the same, respectfully submit the following minority report:

It was an ascertained fact, convincing to our minds, that twenty-seven was a sufficient number of attachees to perform the necessary duties of the House. The guiding principle with the undersigned was to employ just so many subordinates as was necessary to transact and facilitate the business of the House, and to reward them adequate compensation for their services.

Therefore, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That six clerks be appointed, to be apportioned to the Standing Committees of the House by the Speaker, at a pay of five dollars per day—\$30.00.

Resolved, That the remaining subordinates of the House shall consist of the following, with the rate of pay attached to each, viz.:

1 Messenger.....	\$3 00
4 Porters, for service in the House, at \$2.....	8 00
4 Pages, at \$1.50.....	6 00
1 Mail Carrier.....	2 00
1 Solicitor.....	10 00
2 Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, at \$3.....	6 00

1 Reading Clerk.....	6 00
7 Porters for Committee Rooms, at \$2.....	14 00
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

S. S. CRITTENDEN,
F. A. MILES,
O. M. DOYLE,
R. M. SMITH,
F. W. DERRICK,
G. T. LITCHFIELD.

Mr. FROST also submitted the following report:

We, the undersigned, a minority of the Committee of Thirty-one, elected under resolution of the House, adopted November 28, 1871, to ascertain how many subordinate officers are necessary for the use of the House, and what compensation should be paid them, after carefully considering the matter, viewing all circumstances proper to be considered, chiefly among which stand the depleted condition of the State Treasury, and the acknowledged and praiseworthy determination of the House, as evinced by the adoption of the resolution under which we act, to retrench in all matters possible, without detriment to the cause of justice, beg leave, most respectfully, to report the following number of subordinate officers as necessary, and the amounts set opposite their classes as just compensation :

- 1 Sergeant-at-Arms, at \$6 per day.
- 1 Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, at \$5 per day.
- 2 Solicitors, at \$10 per day, each.
- 10 Committee Clerks, at \$5 per day, each.
- 1 Door Keeper, at \$4 per day.
- 3 Assistant Door Keepers, at \$3 per day, each.
- 10 Porters, at \$3 per day, each.
- 1 Mail Carrier, at \$3 per day.
- 6 Pages, at \$1.50 per day, each.

The aggregate salaries of this number of subordinate officers of the House amounts to one hundred and thirty-six (136) dollars per day, which, for thirty days, would amount to four thousand and eighty (4,080) dollars. This, in conjunction with the per diem of members, at twenty-two thousand three hundred and twenty (22,320) dollars per month, would make a total expense, in the matter of salaries alone, of

twenty-six thousand four hundred (26,400) dollars, an amount of expense against the increase of which we enter our solemn protest.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

F. H. FROST,
WARREN D. WILKES,
N. B. MYERS,
J. E. HAGOOD,
WILLIAM R. JERVEY,
LAWRENCE CAIN.

Mr. FROST moved to take up, in connection with the majority report, the several minority reports.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS moved to indefinitely postpone the motion.

Mr. MOBLEY moved that the whole matter be referred back to the Speaker.

On this Mr. CRITTENDEN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 70; nays, 34. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, S. Greene, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Logan, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, Wofford and Yocom.—70.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Berry, Bowley, L. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Gaither, Glover, Goodson, Geggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Jervy, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—34.

Mr. JONES moved to reconsider the vote just taken, and lay the motion to reconsider on the table. Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the Committee of Thirty-one was discharged.

The following paper was presented to be entered on the Journal:

The undersigned protested against the report of the majority of the Committee of Thirty-one, fixing the number of employees of the House at 76, because he conceives so great a number of employees to be totally

unwarranted by the necessities of the House and the business of its Committees, and entailing an additional expense upon the tax-payers of the State, which they ought not to be called upon at any time to bear, and which they are unable to bear at this time. I signed and supported the minority report of Mr. Frost, as the best that I could get, the most practicable, and the one most likely to be accepted by the House, in lieu of the report of the majority. My own judgment was to return to the former practice of the House, and to appoint one permanent Clerk, one Reading Clerk, one Messenger, one Door-keeper, and a Clerk of the Committee on Education ; but in this I was overborne by the majority of the Committee, and hence accepted the proposition for 38 employees to the House in preference to 76.

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 7. .

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 5, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it refuses to agree to the substitute of your House for Senate concurrent resolution to instruct the Committee on Finance of the Senate, and the Committee of Ways and Means of the House of Representatives, to wait upon the Treasurer and ascertain what moneys are now in the Treasury, &c., and insists upon concurrent resolution from the Senate. The resolution and substitute are herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Mr. MOBLEY moved that the House insist on the adoption by the Senate of the substitute, and that a message be sent requesting a Committee of Conference.

Agreed to by a vote, on division, of yeas, 57 ; nays, 4.

A message was sent accordingly.

Mr. E. CAIN introduced

A Joint Resolution to compel County Treasurers to receive in payment of taxes certain orders on the Educational fund.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate the rate of tariff to be paid by passengers travelling on railroads in this State.

Mr. HURLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the registration of all bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina, and preventing the payment of interest on any bond, or certificate of stock not registered.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Saxton Riflemen, of Charleston, South Carolina.

Mr. BRYAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Walboo Wharf Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. FORD gave notice that on to-morrow, or as soon thereafter as practicable, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association.

Mr. DENNIS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for funding the entire State debt into one class of securities.

Mr. BOWEN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to create a Metropolitan Police force for Charleston.

Mr. HUNTER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal the Act of incorporation of "The Charleston Charitable Association for the benefit of the Free School Fund."

Mr. BOSEMON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. YOCOM introduced the following preamble and resolution, which were ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Whereas certain Bills were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, to wit:

A Bill to provide for the punishment of embezzlement of public money, and for other purposes;

A Bill to prevent extortion, and to enforce official duty;

A Bill to prohibit officers from being interested in certain contracts;

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of indebtedness;

A Bill relative to the safe keeping of the public money;

A Bill concerning the State and County Treasurers;

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer ;

Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means be instructed to report said Bills back to this House forthwith.

Mr. HUMBERT, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill directing the Treasurer and County Commissioners of Darlington County to perform certain duties therein named.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. JONES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. BOWLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Council, No. 1, of Georgetown, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. COUSART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Mt. Carmel A. M. E. Church, of Lancaster County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BASS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to establish a new judicial and election County from portions of the Counties of Marion, Darlington, Williamsburg and Clarendon.

Mr. REEDISH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend Section 108 of an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. JAMISON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the town of Lewisville, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. GOODSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Red Hill Baptist Church, in Richland County.

Mr. RAMSAY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to punish parties for making fraudulent sales of land.

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to promote the consolidation of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company and the Blue Ridge Railroad Company."

Mr. O'CONNELL gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to create a loan to pay the interest on the public debt."

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to amend an Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property was taken up.

Mr. YOCOM moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed, and made the Special Order for Tuesday, December 12, at 1 P. M.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to postpone.

On this Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 75; nays, 22. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—75.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bowley, Corwin, Cousart, Dannerly, Doyle, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Kennedy, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace and Yocom.—22.

Mr. YOCOM moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make the same the Special Order for Monday, December 11, at 1 P. M.

Mr. BYAS moved to lay the motion on the table. Agreed to.

Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 2, by striking out the words "Governor, Comptroller General, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives," and inserting the words "Finance Committee of the Senate, Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives, a majority of whom shall decide," was considered.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to amend the amendment by inserting, before the words "Finance Committee," the words "President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives." Adopted.

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

The further amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 2 was adopted, viz: by inserting after the word "Assembly," eighth line, printed Bill, the words "in pursuance of appropriation made by law."

Mr. YOCOM moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. SIMONS moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 74; nays, 18. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervay, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Abraham Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—74.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Barker, Byas, Corwin, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Ramsay, R. M. Smith, J. W. Thomas, Wallace and Yocom.—18.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to amend Section 3 by inserting, after the word "State," on third line, the words "and if the said Bank or Banks, so designated, shall fail to make such monthly statements, then the Governor and Comptroller General shall immediately notify the Committee designated in Section 2 of this Act of such failure."

Mr. JAMISON moved to strike out Section 3.

Mr. SIMONS moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to strike out.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 78; nays, 18. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mead, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—78.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Corwin, Cousart, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jones, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Ramsay, Smart, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and Yocom.—18.

Mr. JONES moved to amend Section 3, by adding, after the last word in the Section, the words, "*Provided*, That the Committee herein appointed shall submit the name of such Bank or Banks as is provided for in Section 2, to the General Assembly, for their approval."

A debate ensued, (Mr. Jones having the floor,) pending which,

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of Section 3 of a Bill to amend an Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property, was resumed.

The amendment proposed to Section 3, (by Mr. Jones,) as follows: By adding, after the last word in the Section, the words, "*Provided, That the Committee herein appointed shall submit the name of such Bank or Banks as is provided for in Section 2, to the General Assembly, for their approval,*" was considered.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Committee of the Whole for consideration of the Annual Message of His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. FROST moved that the Special Order be suspended until the further consideration of the Bill under discussion. Agreed to.

The business previously before the House was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, was resumed.

On the question to strike out the enacting clause,

Mr. FROST called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 50; nays, 44. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs Adamson, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Corwin, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Giles, Goggins, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jones, Kennedy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White and Yocom —50.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Farr, Ford, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hurley, Jervy, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, Mead, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Sellers, Simons, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—44.

The SPEAKER announced Messrs. Wilkes, Lang and Logan as the Committee on the part of the House, to meet the Committee appointed

by the Senate, pursuant to resolution relative to the feasibility of abolishish certain offices, &c.

A message was sent to the Senate accordingly.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M., which had been suspended, was renewed :

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Annual Message of His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. FROST was called to the chair.

After debate,

Mr. LEE introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee do now rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on Monday, December 11, at 1 P. M.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

Mr. FROST, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again on Monday, December 11, at 1 P. M.

The request was granted.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 8.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 6, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it agrees to the proposition of your House, for a Committee of Conference on causes of disagreement on Senate concurrent resolution for appointment of Joint Committee relative to moneys in the Treasury, and have appointed Messrs. Owens and Smalls a Committee on the part of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced as the Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Bowen, Crittenden and L. Cain.

A message was sent to the Senate accordingly.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorably) to increase and define the jurisdiction of the City Court of Charleston, with amendment: By striking out, in Section 3, the words "not exceeding two thousand dollars, nor including interest and costs."

Also,

A Bill (favorably) to punish abduction and seduction, under promise of marriage.

Also,

A Bill (favorably) to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure, relating to Circuit Courts.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following Bills, and recommended that they do pass:

A Bill to incorporate the Wallingford Presbyterian Church and Academy, of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Mission Presbyterian Church, of Summer-ville, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Barnwell County.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. TALBERT gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the village of Ninety-Six.

Mr. ELLISON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Greenwood.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BOWEN introduced the following resolution, which was ordered
for consideration to-morrow :

Whereas the financial statement contained in the Governor's Message
shows an over-issue of bonds, amounting to over six millions of dollars ;
therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee of Five be appointed to inquire into the
alleged over-issue of bonds, and under what authority they were issued,
and for what purpose used, and report thereon to this House at the ear-
liest practicable day ; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby,
authorized to send for persons and papers.

Mr. DENNIS introduced the following resolution, which, by unani-
mous consent, was considered immediately and adopted :

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby, re-
quested (if in his opinion not inconsistent with the interests of the public
service) to furnish this House, at the earliest practicable moment, copies
of all correspondence that may have passed between the Executive and
the State Treasurer, in reference to the signing, issuing, or conversion of
State bonds, and other securities. That a Committee of three members of
this House be appointed by the Speaker to present a copy of these reso-
lutions to His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER announced as the Committee, Messrs. Dennis, Jami-
son and Ellison.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to incorporate the Saxton Riflemen, of Charleston, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military
Affairs.

Mr. FORD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Relief Loan Association, of the
city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. HEDGES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent
day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the African Life Insurance Company, of South
Carolina.

Mr. HUNTER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent
day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill defining what are "Lotteries" under Article IV, Section 2, of the Constitution, and prohibiting the sale of all lottery tickets in this State.

Mr. JERVEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create a debt of the State of South Carolina, to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt, the same, or the proceeds thereof, to be exclusively used in exchange for, or in payment of, the existing public debt of said State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, introduced the following preamble and concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Whereas it is currently reported that one of the convicts in the South Carolina Penitentiary was murdered by severe punishment, known as the "shower bath;" and whereas, it is inhuman for any such brutal treatment as the murder of a prisoner imprisoned for a certain space of time; and whereas, it appears that it is the neglect or carelessness of the Superintendent that a prisoner should be punished so severely as caused death therefrom; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of two on the part of the House, and ——— on the part of the Senate, be appointed to examine into the matter, and report the cause of the said death of the convict to this General Assembly at as early a day as practicable; and that the said Committee be authorized to send for persons and papers.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to abolish the office of Assistant Adjutant General, and to devolve the duties on the Adjutant and Inspector General;

A Bill to abolish the office of Land Commissioner, and devolve the duty on the Secretary of State.

Mr. BOWEN introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Financial Board of the State be, and they are hereby, directed to require an immediate report from the Financial Agent in New York, which report shall fully set forth all claims alleged by the said Agent against the State, and on what account, together with the classes and numbers of State securities held by the said Financial Agent, on account of said claims.

2. *Resolved*, That the results of the action herein required of the Financial Board, together with the report of Financial Agent, shall be laid before the General Assembly, by the said Board, on or before the twentieth day of December, 1871.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS presented the account of David Knight, for rebuilding Bacon's Bridge, Colleton County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterboro Male Academy."

Mr. HUMBERT, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill requiring the State Treasurer to deposit all funds belonging to the State in the vaults of the State Treasury, and to pay all proper claims against the State at the office of the Treasury.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BARKER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to further amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property, and other Acts amendatory thereto."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. RIVERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the Town of Hamburg," approved February 28, 1871.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. SMART gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to create a public road from Lawhon's Bridge, on Bear Creek, to Ridgeway, in Fairfield County.

Mr. BOWLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of Georgetown.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. TAYLOR presented a petition in behalf of the Managers of Elections for Greenville County, relative to the Election Law.

Referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. LITCHFIELD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Horry, Marion and Rockingham Railroad.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. ADAMSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of the County Commissioners."

Mr. BOSTON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution requiring the State Treasurer to report, on Tuesday of each week, the amount of money on hand.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HENDERSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution to authorize and require the County Commissioners of Newberry County to levy a special tax.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BYAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to establish a school amongst the convicts in the State Penitentiary.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create an office known as Assistant Adjutant and Inspector General of South Carolina."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create a debt of the State of South Carolina, to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt, the same, or the proceeds thereof, to be exclusively used in exchange for, or in payment of, the existing public debt of said State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. JAMISON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A resolution to suspend, for the present session, the Rule requiring one day's notice for the introduction of resolutions.

Mr. GOODSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Red Hill Baptist Church, of Richland County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. SIMONS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot in the town of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, on certain conditions."

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Mechanics' and Farmers' Building and Loan Association, of Richland County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize the City Council of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate the same.

Mr. RAMSAY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to punish parties for making fraudulent sales of land.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GILES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to abolish the office of State Auditor, and to impose the duties of that officer on the Comptroller General.

Mr. FROST, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain costs accrued on lands sold by County Treasurers at delinquent tax sales, or purchased by the State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also,

A Joint Resolution to provide for the protection of the State Treasury.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. PENDERGRASS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, of Kingstree, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. McDaniels, for six days;

Mr. Jackson, for six days.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

Resolution (by Mr. Bowen) to rescind the action of the House on the address concerning Judge Thomas was taken up.

Mr. JAMISON moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution, and called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 20; nays, 51. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Giles, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Litchfield,

Milton, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Williams and Wilson.—20.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Lee, Maddocks, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wofford and Yocom.—51.

The question being taken on the resolution, it was adopted :

The Senate concurrent resolution to adopt the address requesting His Excellency the Governor to remove W. M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Circuit, was then taken up.

The following is the concurrent resolution and address referred to :

Whereas, it appears, from the report of the Judiciary Committee, and the testimony submitted therewith, that William M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Circuit, has not, since his election, in 1868, and during his continuance in office, resided in the Circuit of which he is Judge, as required by the 13th Section of Article 4 of the Constitution ; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate, (two-thirds of the House agreeing thereto,) and the House of Representatives, (two-thirds of the Senate agreeing thereto,) that the address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting the removal of William M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Circuit, be adopted.

To His Excellency R. K. SCOTT,

Governor of the State of South Carolina :

Your petitioners, members of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, would respectfully show unto your Excellency that, in accordance with Section 4, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State, they hereby request the removal from office of William M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, he, as such Judge, having violated Section 13 of Article 4 of the State Constitution, which explicitly states that any person who shall be elected a Circuit Judge shall reside in the Circuit over which he presides. Your petitioners would respectfully state that, since his election, said Judge Thomas has never, in compliance with said Section of the Constitution, resided in the Circuit to which he was elected, and would, therefore, pray your Excellency for the removal of said Judge William M. Thomas.

Mr. BOWEN moved that the further consideration of the matter be

postponed, and made the Special Order for Thursday, December 14, at 1 P. M., and that Hon. W. M. Thomas be notified. Agreed to.

Resolution (by Mr. Hurley) to order the postponement of sale of sundry pieces or parcels of land in Charleston County was taken up.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the resolution was laid on the table.

A Bill to amend Section 279 of the Code of Procedure was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to renew the charter of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company, of Columbia, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution (by Mr. Frost) relative to the election of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and Circuit Judges, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the resolution was amended by inserting "1 P. M."

Mr. JAMISON moved to further amend by striking out "Monday, 18th instant," and inserting "January 15, 1872." Agreed to by a vote, on division, of yeas, 36; nays, 32.

Mr. FROST moved to strike out "January 15, 1872," and insert "December 18th, 1871."

Mr. JAMISON moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Agreed to, and, under the Rules, the resolution was carried with it.

A resolution (by Mr. Yocom) to instruct the Committee of Ways and Means to report certain Bills was taken up.

The resolution was adopted.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorably) to provide for the punishment of embezzlement of public money, and other purposes;

A Bill (unfavorably) in relation to the safe keeping of public moneys;

A Bill (unfavorably) to prevent extortion in office, and to enforce official duty;

A Bill (unfavorably) to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER presented the report of the Codifying Commission, and requested (in which request the Committee on the Judiciary

concurred) that the same be placed upon the Calendar, without reference.

The request was granted.

The Code (as a Bill) was read the first time, ordered to be printed, and lie over for a second reading.

GENERAL ORDERS.

The consideration of General Orders was resumed.

Resolution (by Mr. Lee) to amend Rule requiring resolutions to lie over one day before consideration was taken up,

The resolution was adopted.

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the Town of Georgetown was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading,

Pending the consideration of which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. S. SAUNDERS.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Georgetown, was resumed.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported on

A Bill (favorably) to recharter the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church, of Williamsburg County, S. C.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also reported on certain Bills by

A Bill to incorporate certain religious institutions herein named.

Read the first time, ordered to be printed, and lie over for a second reading.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Special Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor for copies of correspondence relative to signing, issuing and conversion of bonds, reported, verbally, that said duty had been performed, and that the Governor would communicate with the House in writing at the earliest practicable moment.

On motion, the report was received as information, and the Committee discharged.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to protect the rights of parents, and to prevent the procuring and carrying from the State persons under the age of twenty-one years;"

A Bill to enable Trial Justices and Justices of the Peace to act as Coroners;

A Bill to punish disorderly persons.

Mr. WHIPPER introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration on Monday next:

Whereas the General Assembly of this State, by an Act approved and ratified on the 20th day of December, A. D. 1856, granted a charter to certain persons therein named, to construct a railroad, in conjunction with certain corporators of the State of Georgia, from Atlanta to Anderson Court House, to connect with the railroads at that point; and whereas such charter was granted to promote the interests of the railroads and people of this State; and whereas it is now stated, understood and believed that the persons now owning and controlling said charter are proceeding to locate and construct a railroad in direct violation of the terms, intent and meaning of said charter, and to the great injury and detriment of the railroads and people of this State; therefore,

Resolved, That the Attorney General of this State be, and he is hereby, authorized and instructed to institute legal proceedings to compel said company to comply with the terms, intent and meaning of their said charter, or to have the same vacated.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston, South Carolina.

Mr. BOSEMON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto, Caw-Caw and Waites' Creek Canal Company.

Mr. A. SMITH gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Labor Association, of Christ Church Parish, South Carolina; also,

A Bill to renew an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of the Town of Mount Pleasant."

Mr. HOLMES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterboro Male Academy."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. SMART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish a public road from Lawhon's Bridge, on Bear Creek, to Ridgeway.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. MOORE gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to re-charter Barkley Ferry, over the Catawba River, in Fairfield County.

Mr. COUSART gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to create a public road in Lancaster County.

Mr. CRITTENDEN presented the account of Wm. Gilbert, Constable, Greenville County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, presented the presentment of the Grand Jury for Greenville County, September, 1871.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. JOHNSON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate certain Churches in Laurens County, S. C.

Mr. BYAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act in relation to the free common schools.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. HAGOOD gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Pickens."

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. SIMONS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot, in the town of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F., on certain conditions."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also, presented the memorial of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia, relative to the transfer of the College Chapel building to the city of Columbia for hospital purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

Mr. GILES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to abolish the office of State Auditor, and impose the duties of said office on the Comptroller General.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. FROST, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act for the relief of prosecutors and witnesses not capital.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to confer upon Trial Justices certain jurisdiction.

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries."

Mr. WHITE gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to prevent convicts in the Penitentiary from being brought in competition with common labor.

On motion of Mr. WILKES,

A Bill to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure, relating to Circuit Courts, was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following members obtained leave of absence :

Mr. Nehemias, for seven days ;

Mr. Tarlton, for four days ;

Mr. Sellers, for three days ;

Mr. Derrick, for three days.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

Resolution (by Mr. Bowen) to inquire into the over-issue of State bonds was taken up.

Mr. FROST moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "earliest practicable moment," and inserting "Tuesday, 12th instant."

Mr. BOSEMON introduced the following concurrent resolution as a substitute :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Committee appointed by the General Assembly at its last session, in accordance with Section 5 of "An Act to regulate the manner of keeping and disbursing funds by certain officers," be, and they are hereby, instructed, in addition to the duties now imposed upon them by law, to inquire into the alleged excessive issue of bonds, and under what authority they were issued, and for what purpose used, and to report thereon by the 12th instant ; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby, authorized to send for persons and papers.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the substitute was indefinitely postponed.

The amendment proposed by Mr. FROST was adopted.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The SPEAKER announced as the Committee, Messrs. Bowen, Whipper, O'Connell, Frost, Jones and Byas.

Resolution (by Mr. Jervey) for the appointment of a Committee to investigate certain affairs at the State Penitentiary was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the resolution was amended by altering the resolution to read "Committees on Penitentiary of the two Houses."

The concurrent resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Belton, in the County of Anderson, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, Sections 5 and 10 were amended, by striking out the words "Magistrates," and inserting "Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act (No. 382, passed in General Assembly of 1870-71,) entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of

certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section 36 of said Act, relating to the town of Wrightsville, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to regulate the granting of divorces was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 2, as follows: By striking out, in the seventh line, the word "twenty-one," and inserting the word "eighteen;" also, by striking out, in same line, the word "eighteen," and inserting the word "sixteen," was adopted.

Section 4 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the motion was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. JONES moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, December 13, at 1 P. M.

A debate ensued, pending which,

Mr. THOMPSON moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 50; nays, 18. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Boston, Bryan, E. Cain, J. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Gardner, Goggins, S. Greene, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Maddocks, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes and Wilson.—50.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bosemon, Bowley, Byas, Corwin, T. A. Davis, Frost, Haggood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Jones, Lee, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Myers, Wallace, Whipper and Wofford.—18.

The House then, at 2:50 P. M., adjourned till Monday next at 12 M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to amend the second clause of the 18th Section of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill for the protection of buoys and beacons.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A Bill to amend and extend the charter of the Planters' and Mechanics' Bank of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Also,

A Bill to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to purchase two thousand stands of arms, of the most improved pattern, with usual complement of ammunition."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also,

A Bill to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force, for the preservation of the peace," approved February 8, 1869.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Sterling Loan Fund Commission to secure the possession of the bonds of the State of South Carolina, known as the Sterling Funded Debt bonds, and place the same in the charge of the Secretary of State for safe keeping.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also,

A Joint Resolution to provide for the publication of certain Statutes of this State, and the Journals of the General Assembly, together with the following Message of His Excellency the Governor, returning the same without his approval :

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1871.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, November 29, 1871.

To the President of the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day returned, without my signature:

“Joint Resolution to provide for the re-publication of certain Statutes of this State, and Journals of the General Assembly thereof;”

The cost of the public printing for the past year having already depleted the Treasury, and there can be no immediate necessity of engaging in this heavy job of printing, at a time when the expenses of the State calls earnestly for economy and retrenchment in every branch of the service. At least fifty thousand dollars will be required to execute the order contained in this Act, and those who are placed in charge of it are without restriction or limitation as to cost or expense.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

The Message was read, and the Joint Resolution taken up for consideration.

Mr. YOCOM moved to postpone the further consideration of the matter, and make the same the Special Order for Wednesday, December 13.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 62; nays, 33. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Saunders, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—62.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Boston, Briggs, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, J. Davis, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Garey, J. A. Green, Harris, Holmes, Humbert, Keith, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Ramsay,

Reedish, Rivers, Sellers Simons, Small, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wofford and Yocom.—33.

On the question " Shall the Joint Resolution become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding ?" (pursuant to Section 22, Article 3, of the Constitution), the yeas and nays were ordered, and are as follows :

Whole number of votes called, 92.

Yeas, 63 ; nays, 29.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, J. A. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Skanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sullivan, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper and Wilkes.—63.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dusenbury, Farr, Gardner, Goggins, Kennedy, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Sellers, Smart, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—29.

The SPEAKER announced that the Joint Resolution had become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Senate also sent to this House,

Reports of Committee on Claims on accounts of the following persons :

Adolph Feininger ;

E. R. Stokes ;

Bryan & McCarter ;

H. F. Baker & Co.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Committee of the Whole to consider the Annual Message of His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. LEE was called to the chair.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, it was

Resolved, That the Committee do now rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again at some future day.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

Mr. LEE, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again at some future day.

The request was granted.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading the following:

A Bill to renew the charter of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company, of Columbia;

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Georgetown.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to amend Section 279 of the Code of Procedure.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. LEE moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the motion was indefinitely postponed.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, submitted the following report:

The Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred a Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities, or other evidences of indebtedness, beg leave to report: That they have carefully considered the same, and recommend that the same do not pass, for the following reason:

The object sought to be obtained by this Bill is covered by law now on the statutes, to which this Act will add nothing whatever. While the Committee have every reason to believe that transactions of this kind are carried on by State and County officials, they are carried on in a manner to evade the consequences of the law that now exists, or can be enacted. The Committee, therefore, deem it unnecessary to encumber the statute books of this State.

The report was laid on the table, and the Bill ordered to lie over for a second reading.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported on

A Bill (favorably) to revise and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on County Offices and Officers, reported on the following:

A Bill (favorably) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners," with the following amendments:

In Section 5, insert between the words "money" and "into," on the second line, the words "and all fines collected under this Act." Strike out, in Section 6, all after the word "shall," on the seventh line, and insert, in lieu thereof, the following: "Be fined not less than one or more than five hundred dollars, or be imprisoned not less than one or more than six months in the County jail."

A Bill (favorably) concerning the State and County Treasurers.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. E. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act creating the Constabulary force in this State.

Mr. TALBERT, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the town of Ninety-Six.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. WILKES, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to prohibit the further issue, sale and hypothecation of bonds of this State under the several Acts of the General Assembly heretofore passed, and for other purposes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following Bills:

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to protect the rights of parents, and to prevent the procuring and carrying from the State persons under the age of twenty-one years."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to punish disorderly persons.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to enable Trial Justices and Justices of the Peace to act as Coroners.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, presented the account of Wm. Holmes, for services as Constable in Anderson County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill to further provide for the Administration of Derelict Estates;

A Bill to change the names of Luta Eugenia Maddox and Ida Matilda Maddox, to Luta Eugenia Smith and Ida Matilda Smith, and to confer on them the rights of legitimacy.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to fix the rates of passenger fares on the Railroads of South Carolina.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also, introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Committee appointed under concurrent resolution, passed at the last session of this General Assembly, for the purpose of making a thorough examination of the accounts of the State Treasurer, Comptroller General and Financial Agent, since their induction into office, and for other purposes, be, and the same is hereby, discharged, and the said concurrent resolution is hereby repealed.

2. *Resolved*, That said Committee report at once to this General Assembly how, by what means, from whom, and by what authority, they have been paid their per diem and mileage, and that when their report is made in relation to the investigation of the accounts of the officers men-

tioned in Section 1 of this resolution, they do also report on the questions herein asked.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BRYAN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Charleston County to construct Bonneau Ferry, across the Eastern Branch of Cooper River.

Mr. HUNTER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to punish any person or persons making or drawing any lottery or other scheme of chance, or for being concerned in the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. A. SMITH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Mt. Pleasant."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. JERVEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to abolish the office of Assistant Adjutant General, and to require the Adjutant General to discharge the duties of his office.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A Bill to abolish the office of Land Commissioner, and devolve the duties of said office on the Secretary of State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. LEVY introduced

A Joint Resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay J. H. Leland \$101.05.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. YOCOM introduced

A Joint Resolution calling upon the Clerk of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives for certain information concerning the Republican Printing Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Printing.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries."

Mr. KENNEDY introduced the following preamble and resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Whereas J. Banks Lyles, a member of this House from the County of Spartanburg, by his affiliation with an organization known as the Ku Klux Klan, and by his fleeing from the State to escape arrest, thereby rendering himself an outlaw; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the seat, in this House, of the said J. Banks Lyles, be declared vacant.

Mr. LEE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend the charter of the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad.

Mr. SMART gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to confer on, and vest in, the Clerks of Courts certain duties imposed and performed by the late Commissioners in Equity.

Mr. LITCHFIELD gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to permit Samuel N. Anderson to adopt Samuel Lawson, and make him his legal heir, and to change his name to that of Samuel N. Anderson.

Mr. ADAMSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act relating to the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina."

Mr. GAREY introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Committee appointed at the last session, for the purpose of investigating the affairs of the Land Commission, be required to make their report by Monday next, the 18th instant.

Mr. COUSART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Lancaster.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. JOHNSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Churches of Antioch, New Hope, Bethel Grove and New Bethany, of Laurens County, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. CORWIN introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Newberry County to levy a special tax.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution to provide for the pay of Commissioners and Managers of Elections, in cases of special elections.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. REEDISH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to declare public a certain road in the County of Orangeburg.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. JAMISON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Farmers', Mechanics' and Laborers' Association, of St. Matthew's Parish, in Orangeburg County, South Carolina.

Mr. HAGOOD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Pickens."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, presented

Report of the Board of County Commissioners of Pickens County, for the fiscal year ending September 1, 1871.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the construction of a new Court House for the County of Richland.

Mr. GOODSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Shiloh Baptist Church, of Richland County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. FROST, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to confer upon Trial Justices certain civil jurisdiction.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WHITE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill for the relief of the widows and orphans of persons killed by the Ku Klux.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also,

A Bill to prohibit the Superintendent of the State Penitentiary from hiring out to labor the convicts confined therein to parties other than the State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

The SPEAKER presented the following accounts:

Carpenter Helman ;

Bryan & McCarter ;

H. Solomons ;

Daily Union.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication :

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 12, 1871.

To the Honorable the Speaker, and the other Members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit to your honorable body a copy of a Volume of Reports of Decisions of the Supreme Court, prepared under the Joint Resolution approved March 2, 1871, authorizing the Justices of that Court to contract with the undersigned to prepare and superintend the publication of the same.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. S. G. RICHARDSON.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to regulate the granting of divorces, being the unfinished business of December 9, was taken up.

The question pending being the motion (by Mr. Jones) to postpone the further consideration, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, December 13, at 1 P. M., it was considered and agreed to.

Consideration of Governor's Message, No. 2, returning, without his approval, an Act to charter the North-western Railroad Company, of South Carolina, was taken up.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the further consideration of the matter, and make it the Special Order for to-morrow at 2:30 P. M.

On this Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 28 ; nays, 59. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Berry, Bowley, Bryan, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, S. Greene, Hart, Hedges, Humbert, Jamison, Keith, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Small, A. Smith, Sullivan, Wallace, Wilkes and Williams.—28.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Gardner, Giles, Goggins, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Logan, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—59.

On the question, "Shall the Bill become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?" in accordance with Section 22, Article III, of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were ordered, and resulted as follows :

Yeas, 55 ; nays, 26.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowen, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, Dennis, Duncan, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Nerland, Nuckles, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper, Wilson and Wofford.—55.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bowley, Bryan, Crews, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Gaither, Giles, S. Greene, Hart, Hedges, Humphries, Logan, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Small, Abraham Smith, Wilkes, Williams and Yocom.—26.

The SPEAKER announced that the Bill had passed the House of Representatives, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding, and the Message and Bill were ordered to be sent to the Senate.

The following paper was presented to be entered on the Journal :

Earnestly desiring the construction of a railroad from Ninety-Six, or

any other point on the Greenville Railroad, *via* Edgefield Court House, to Aiken or Hamburg, I nevertheless feel myself impelled to vote against the charter of the North-western Railroad Company, because, as I conceive, it violates the vested rights of other chartered companies.

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES.

A Bill to provide for the punishment of the embezzlement of public money, and for other purposes, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to re-charter the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church, of Williamsburg County, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to authorize and empower W. C. Garrity, F. W. Towles and D. H. Towles to establish and build a wharf at Martin's Point, Wadmalaw Island, South Carolina, was taken up.

The amendment proposed by the Committee, to Section 1, as follows, was adopted:

Insert between the words "collect" and "wharfage," the words "the usual rate of."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill in relation to the safe-keeping of the public moneys was taken up.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Thursday, December 14, at 2 P. M.

Joint Resolution relative to bonds and stocks now in the hands of the State Treasurer was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to empower the Judges of the Probate Courts, in their respective Counties, to issue executions, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Mission Presbyterian Church, of Summer-ville, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Wallingford Presbyterian Church and Academy, of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the preamble to the Bill was amended by striking out the name "J. H. Bates," and inserting the name "A. C. McClelland."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Concurrent resolution to appoint a Committee to examine into the sale

of the Blue Ridge Railroad stock, owned by the State, and to provide for the recovery of the same, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, with instructions to report a Joint Resolution of same tenor.

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Barnwell County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, December 18, at 1 P. M.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted," approved in the year 1855, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate certain Religious Institutions therein named was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of yesterday was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorably) relating to marriages, with the following amendments :

Strike out the words "or Probate Judge, as the case may be," wherever they occur in the Bill.

Amend Section 2 of the Bill so as to make it read thus: "That previous to persons being joined in marriage, a license shall be obtained for that purpose from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in the County where such female resides."

Amend Section 7 by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting the words "one hundred."

Amend Section 8 by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "one."

Amend Section 9 by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting the words "five hundred," and adding to the Section the words "or to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding five months."

Strike out entirely Section 10 of the Bill.

Insert the words "or Notary Public" in the following places: In Section 2, after the words "Trial Justices;" in Section 8, after the word "minister," wherever it occurs in that Section; in Section 9, after the word "minister."

A Bill (unfavorably) to designate the time and place when and where sales of real and personal property, or any interest therein, lying on the main land of Beaufort County, shall be made.

A Joint Resolution (favorably) to change the names of Samuel Dogan, Columbus Dogan and Simon Dogan to Samuel Farr, Columbus Farr and Simon Farr.

A Bill (favorably) in relation to selling or giving spirituous liquors to habitual drunkards, and to other persons.

A Bill (unfavorably) to provide compensation for jurors in the Courts of Trial Justices, and for the organization of the same, in their discretion, when not demanded by either of the parties.

A Senate Bill (favorably) to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to establish a Bureau of Agricultural Statistics for the encouragement of industrial enterprises, and to invite capital for the development of the resources of the State."

A Senate Bill (unfavorably) to amend an Act regulating the fees of Sheriffs and other officers therein named, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the reports were laid on the table to take up the Bills and Joint Resolution.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to charter the town of Belton, in the County of Anderson, and State of South Carolina ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to grant, renew and amend certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section 36 of said Act, relating to the town of Wrightsville.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorably) to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under orders of General E. R. S. Canby ;

A Bill (unfavorably) requiring the State Treasurer to deposit all funds belonging to the State in the vaults of the State Treasury, and to pay all proper claims against the State at the office of the Treasury ;

A Bill (favorably) to make appropriations for the mileage and per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto, with the following amendments :

Strike out the first Section of the Bill, and insert :

"SECTION 1. That the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$150,000,) if so much be necessary, be, and is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the Treasury for the payment of the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of subordinate officers, and other incidental expenses of the present session, commencing November 28, 1871: *Provided*, That none of the above appropriation shall be used for any other purpose."

Strike out Section 2, and insert :

"SEC. 2. That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000,) if so much be necessary, be, and is hereby, appropriated for the payment of any outstanding pay certificates for the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly at its session ending March 7, 1871, including all certificates given to subordinate officers for services connected therewith."

Amend Section 6, second line, by striking out the words " out of funds in the Treasury not otherwise disposed of, prior to any other claim or claims whatsoever."

On the fifth line, strike out the words, " subject to the demands of such orders or certificates."

Add the following Section :

"SEC. 7. That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be, and are hereby, repealed."

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the reports were laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HEDGES, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Walboo Wharf Company.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported on

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Shiloh Baptist Church, of Richland County;

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Mount Carmel A. M. E. Church in Lancaster, S. C.;

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Red Hill Baptist Church, of Richland County;

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, of Kingstree, S. C.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWEN, from the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the matter of over-issue of State bonds, reported verbally that, owing to an unavoidable accident, (the absence of the Clerk,) it was impossible to make, to-day, a full report, and asked that further time be granted.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Committee was granted until to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

Mr. BOWEN moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to take into custody Mr. Gil Dixon Fox, the Clerk of the Special Committee, and bring him before the bar of this House, to answer charges this Committee may prefer against him.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. E. CAIN presented the petition of Arthur Jefferson, of Abbeville County, for extra services as County Commissioner.

Referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. WILKES, pursuant to notice, introduced the following:

A Bill to further provide for the administration of derelict estates.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to change the names of Luta Eugenia Maddox and Ida Matilda Maddox, to Luta Eugenia Smith and Ida Matilda Smith, and to confer on them the rights of legitimacy.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. FERGUSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for the calling in of State bonds and stocks.

Mr. NERLAND gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the Town of Blackville.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, of South Carolina.

Mr. BOSEMON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto, Caw-Caw and Waites' Creek Canal Company, of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. SMART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to confer and vest in the Clerks of Courts certain duties heretofore performed by the late Commissioners in Equity.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LITCHFIELD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to permit Samuel N. Anderson to adopt Samuel Lawson, and make him his lawful heir, and change his name to that of Samuel N. Anderson.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. SELLERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the village of Little Rock, in the County of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, presented the report of the County Commissioners of Marion County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Little Rock, for an Act of incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, presented the account of Elias T. Jefferson, of Marion County, for services as school teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. SHANKLIN presented the petition of sundry citizens of Oconee County, praying for the establishment of a new road in Oconee County.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the construction of a new court house in and for the County of Richland.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

Also, presented a petition for the sale of the old court house lot in the city of Columbia, Richland County.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. O'CONNELL, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to repeal so much of Section 5 of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize a State loan to pay interest on the public debt" as authorizes the appointment of a Financial Agent.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. LEE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to require passenger trains on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad to stop at Hamburg.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The SPEAKER announced the following additional

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Banks and Insurance Companies—Messrs. Bowen, Yocom, Humbert, Hurley, A. L. Singleton, Littlefield, S. Greene, Henderson and Rivers.

Prison Reform—Messrs. Hurley, Logan, White, Crittenden and Holmes.

The following members obtained leave of absence :

Mr. Andell, for eight days ;

Mr. Dusenbury, for six days ;

Mr. Whipper, for three days.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill concerning the State and County Treasurers was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution (by Mr. Kennedy) to declare vacant the seat of Mr. J. Banks Lyle, of Spartanburg County, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, with instructions to examine into the facts, and report on Monday next.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

A Senate Bill to regulate the granting of divorces.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 5, was continued.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 5, by striking out all the words after the word "nullity," was considered.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 47 ; nays, 44. Agreed to, and a message was sent to the Senate.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Allen, Berry, Briggs, Bryan, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Giles, Hart, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jones, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, White, Williams and Wofford.—47.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Jamison, Jervay, Johnson, Lee, Littlefield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Myers, Rivers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper, Wilkes and Wilson.—44.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 M.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back

A Joint Resolution (favorably) authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certificate of State stock to R. S. Porcher.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Mt. Pleasant Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Barnwell County;

A Bill to empower the Judges of the Probate Court, in their respective Counties, to issue executions;

A Bill to incorporate the Mission Presbyterian Church, at Timmons-ville, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate certain religious institutions herein named;

A Bill to re-charter the Williamsburg Presbyterian Church, of Williamsburg County, S. C.;

A Bill to authorize and empower W. C. Garrity, F. W. Towles and D. H. Towles to establish and build a wharf at Martin's Point, Wadmalaw Island, S. C.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also, a Joint Resolution relative to bonds and stocks now in the hands of the State Treasurer.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the Joint Resolution was amended by striking out the words "so deposited," and inserting "so deposited, which receipt they shall deliver to the State Treasurer, and."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution, and called for the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 4; nays, 80. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Barker, Humphries, W. J. McDowell and Mobley.—4.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, Shank-

lin, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—80.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. GARDNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back the following:

A Senate Bill (favorably) to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace," approved February 8, 1869;

A Senate Bill (favorably) to alter and amend an Act to organize and govern the militia of the State of South Carolina;

A Senate Bill (favorably) to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to purchase two thousand stands of arms, of the most improved pattern, with the usual complement of ammunition."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported back

A Bill to provide for the submission of the question of a change of location of the County seat of Barnwell County to the voters of said County, and recommended that the Bill be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the Bill was laid on the table.

Also, a Bill to prescribe the mode of election of Aldermen in the city of Charleston, and recommended that the Bill be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the Bill was laid on the table.

Also, reported back the accounts of W. B. McMillan and others, for services rendered as Commissioners and Managers of Elections for Chester County, and recommended that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back the accounts of Carpenter Hellman, Bryan & McCarter, L. C. Carpenter and H. Solomon, and recommended that they be paid.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. HEDGES, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorably) for the protection of buoys and beacons.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Consideration of address and resolution relative to request to His Excellency the Governor, to remove Judge Thomas of the Sixth Circuit.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:05 P. M.

Report of the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the matter of the over-issue of State Bonds.

Mr. BOWEN, from the Special Committee, submitted the following report :

The Committee appointed under the resolution authorizing an investigation into the alleged over-issue of State bonds, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report :

The whole amount of the bonded debt of the State, as shown by the report of the Comptroller General, on the 31st October, 1868, was \$5,407,306.27, exclusive of what is known as the war debt; to this amount, add the bonds issued to redeem the Bills of the Bank of the State, \$1,258,550, making the old debt \$6,665,856.27; to this amount there was, during the years 1869 and 1870, added \$500,000 in bonds to redeem Bills Receivable, and \$500,000 in bonds which had been issued to pay interest on public debt, and had been sold by the Financial Agent, making the bonded debt of the State, on the 31st October, 1870, \$7,665,856.27; there was, also, at the same time, in the hands of the Financial Agent, \$1,000,000 of bonds for the relief of the Treasury, \$500,000 to pay interest on public debt, and \$700,000 Land Commission bonds, making a grand total of \$9,665,856.27, and showing that only \$3,200,000 new bonds have been issued up to 31st of October, 1870, to wit :

Bonds to redeem Bills Receivable.....	\$ 500,000
pay interest on public debt.....	1,000,000
for relief of the Treasury.....	1,000,000
Land Commission Bonds.....	700,000
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Total.....	\$3,200,000

According to the sworn statement of the State Treasurer, there are now, signed and outstanding, \$9,514,000 of new State bonds. Deduct

from this amount the \$3,200,000 that were out on the 31st October, 1870, and we find that \$6,314,000 have been signed and put upon the market, which, in the opinion of your Committee, is an over-issue.

This conclusion is arrived at after a careful investigation and close scrutiny of the Acts under which, it is claimed, the authority was derived for issuing said bonds.

First. Under an Act to authorize a loan to redeem the obligations known as the Bills Receivable of the State of South Carolina, approved August 26th, 1868, the Governor of the State was authorized to borrow, within twelve months from the passage of the Act, a sum not exceeding \$500,000, or as much thereof as he might deem necessary, to redeem said bills.

Second. Under an Act to authorize a State loan to pay the interest on the public debt, approved August 26th, 1868, the Governor was authorized to borrow, within twelve months from the passage of the Act, a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000, or as much thereof as he might deem necessary, to pay the interest on the public debt. These two Acts were amended by an Act, approved March 26th, 1869, extending the time, therein limited, during which said loans might be negotiated, "to twenty-four months from the passage of the said Acts," to wit: the 26th of August, 1868.

Third. Under an Act to authorize a loan for the relief of the Treasury, approved 17th February, 1869, authority was given to borrow, *within twelve months*, one million of dollars, *or as much thereof as might be deemed necessary* for the relief of the Treasury of the State.

The Act authorizing a loan for the relief of the Treasury expired on the 17th of February, 1870, and the Acts to authorize a loan to redeem the Bills Receivable, and to pay the interest on the public debt, expired on the 26th day of August, of the same year, and, on the 31st October, 1870, the State Treasurer's report to the Comptroller General shows that only \$3,200,000 new bonds were outstanding, leading your Committee to the conclusion that the amount *deemed necessary*, according to the language of the above Acts, *had been obtained* by the issuing of that amount in bonds, and if said amounts had not been negotiated up to that time, then no authority existed, under the law, for the further issue of State bonds. This position, your Committee thinks, is proven by the passage of the Act amending the two Acts approved 26th August, 1868, for, in those Acts, the time *originally allowed*, in which to negotiate the *amount required*, was twelve months. *A sufficient amount not having been obtained*, it was deemed necessary to apply to the General Assembly for an Act *extending the time twelve months longer*.

Your Committee thinks that the Act approved March 23d, 1869, providing for the conversion of State securities, *was not intended* to be used

for the purpose of *increasing* the State debt, but solely for the object named in the Act: "The conversion of some outstanding security," which, when *converted*, should be retained in the Treasury as a voucher for the conversion bonds issued; but, if the Act could possibly be construed into the issuing of bonds to negotiate loans authorized under the Acts above referred to, the expiration of the limitations contained therein would certainly preclude such a construction.

The above are all the Acts authorizing the issue of bonds for any purpose, save those for redeeming the bills of the Bank of the State, and creating a Sterling Loan. The bonds issued under the first of the last named Acts have been charged to the old debt, and the others are said to be in the hands of the American Bank Note Company, in the City of New York.

The law requires the State Treasurer to report to the Comptroller General, at the end of every month, the financial condition of the State, and it was in pursuance of this law, your Committee presumes, that he made the report on the 31st October, 1870, fixing the amount of new bonds then out at \$3,200,000. The testimony of the Comptroller General, taken by the Committee, shows that, although the Treasurer has made a report to him at the end of every month since the above date, up to September, 1871, yet he has failed, in all those reports, to give any account of a further issue of bonds, and there is no information in the Comptroller General's Office, according to his sworn testimony, that the State debt has been increased.

If other evidence was required of this over-issue, it is contained in the testimony of His Excellency the Governor, who states that he has signed and delivered to the State Treasurer, bonds for the conversion of the \$700,000 issued by the Land Commission, also the \$1,000,000 for the relief of the Treasury, and a large portion of those to pay the interest on the public debt; yet all, or nearly all, of said bonds are out as a portion of the indebtedness of the State.

Your Committee, having reported the facts and the law under which the bonds have been issued, and feeling satisfied that the State has been defrauded by an over-issue of \$6,314,000, would, therefore, respectfully recommend that this House take the necessary steps to hold accountable those persons who have violated the laws and ruined the credit of the State.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

C. C. BOWEN,
BENJ. BYAS,
F. H. FROST,
P. J. O'CONNELL,
W. H. JONES, Jr.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the report and the evidence was ordered to be printed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow at 1 P. M.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Churches of Antioch, New Hope, Bethel Grove and New Bethany, of Laurens County, South Carolina ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterborough Male Academy ;"

A Bill to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston South Carolina ;

A Bill to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Council, No. 1, of Georgetown, South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back the report (favorably) of the Senate Committee on Claims, on the account of Bryan & McCarter, and recommended concurrence.

The report was adopted and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House.

A concurrent resolution, that the General Assembly take a recess from December 22, 1871, to January 5, 1872.

Mr. JERVEY moved to amend the resolution, by striking out " 22d" and inserting " 21st " and by striking out " 5th" and inserting " 10th."

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Jervcy) to amend the resolution by striking out " 22d " and " 5th," and inserting " 21st " and " 10th,"

Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 37 ; nays, 59. Not adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bowen, Bryan, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Ford, Gaither, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Humbert, Jervcy, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, Sullivan, Tarlton, Wilkes and Williams.—37.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott,

Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Lee, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Shanklin, Simons, A. L, Singleton. Small, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—59.

The resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also,

A concurrent resolution to authorize the State Librarian to transfer certain volumes of Law Reports in the State Library, to the Supreme Court.

The resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also,

Concurrent resolution to order and authorize the Comptroller General to commence legal proceedings to secure books, accounts, vouchers and papers of the Financial Agency of the State of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the further consideration of the resolution was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow at 2 P. M.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill in relation to the safe-keeping of public moneys.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the consideration of the Bill was suspended temporarily.

Mr. JERVEY moved to reconsider the vote of the House whereby the Special Order for 1 P. M. was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour. Agreed to.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M. was resumed.

His Honor Judge Thomas appeared before the bar of the House.

The SPEAKER read Section 4, Article 7, of the Constitution, for the information of the House.

The resolution and address from the Senate was read.

The testimony taken before the Joint Committee of the Senate and House was read.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the whole matter was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER presented the accounts of W. B Stanley, J. Williams, I. Sulzbacher, M. H. Berry and Columbia Gas Light Company.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Mr PENDERGRASS obtained leave of absence for eight days.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES presented the petition of Anderson J. Stringer, of Anderson County, for the removal of political disabilities.

Referred to the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities.

Also, account of Dr. E. M. Brown, of Anderson County, for *post mortem* examination.

Referred to the Medical Committee.

Mr. MYERS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Second Coosawhatchie Baptist Church.

Also, presented the petition of the Second Baptist Church, of Coosawhatchie, Beaufort County, for Act of incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. HURLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill requiring all bonds and stocks of the State to be registered.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BRYAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the Commissioners of Charleston County to place a flat at Bonnean's Ferry.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. FORD introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the action of the House whereby the enacting clause of a Senate Bill to regulate the manner of granting divorces was stricken out, be rescinded.

The consideration of the Special Order for 2 P. M., (a Bill in relation to the safe keeping of public moneys,) which had been suspended temporarily, was resumed.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 33 ; nays, 42. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Myers, Perry, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Warley and Wofford.—33.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Berry, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden,

Dannerly, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Frost, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Humphries, Kennedy, Lee, Littlefield, Miles, Mobley, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Smart, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—42.

The second reading of the Bill was continued,

Pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill in relation to the safe-keeping of public moneys, was resumed.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. YOCOM, from the Committee on the Penitentiary, reported back :

A Bill to prevent the Superintendent of the State Penitentiary from hiring out to labor the convicts confined therein, to parties other than the State, by a substitute, entitled

A Bill to prohibit convicts in the Penitentiary from discharging labor on private property.

The substitute was adopted, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following Bills as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading :

A Bill to provide for the punishment of embezzlement of public moneys, and other purposes ;

A Bill concerning the State and County Treasurers ;

A Bill to incorporate the Wallingford Presbyterian Church and Academy, of Charleston, S. C.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted," approved in the year 1855.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities, reported on the petitions of H. W. Carter, of Williamsburg County, and A. J. Stringer, of Anderson County, by the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Congress of the United States be, and is hereby, most respectfully requested to remove the political disabilities of H. W. Carter and Andrew J. Stringer, of South Carolina.

PÉTITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. NERLAND, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Blackville.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BASCOMB gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for the relief of the County of Beaufort.

Mr. MYERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Second Coosawhatchie Baptist Church.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. SAUNDERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to define larceny and murder, and to provide for the punishment of the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HUMPHRIES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Bethsemane Church, of Chester County.

Mr. HOLMES, by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to C. Baring Farmer the sum of \$750, for extra services rendered as District Judge, for Colleton County, in 1868.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to create a new Judicial County, composed of a portion of Charleston and Colleton Counties, to be known as the County of St. George.

Mr. HUMBERT, by unanimous consent, introduced the following :

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify, and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. KEITH gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to define and provide for estrays, and repeal sundry Acts in reference to fences.

Mr. L. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Augusta Railroad Company.

Mr. HUDSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to compel County Treasurers to retain a sufficient amount of County funds to pay the jurors, to be known as the County Jury Fund.

Mr. CORWIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill regulating the execution of the death sentence.

Mr. JAMISON introduced the following resolution, which,

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, was laid on the table:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it stand adjourned until Monday next at 12 M.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the business before the House was suspended temporarily to take up a Bill.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, a Bill to make appropriation for the mileage and per diem of members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto, was made the Special Order for 12:55 P. M.

Mr. HAGOOD gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate the granting of divorces in this State.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company;

A Bill to incorporate the Broad River Bridge Company.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for and regulate the granting of divorces from the bonds of matrimony.

Mr. MEAD gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to grant, renew and amend the charter of the village of Rock Hill, in the County of York.

The SPEAKER presented the report of the County Commissioners of Beaufort County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Duncan obtained leave of absence for four days.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certificate of State stock to R. S. Porcher, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. FROST, Section 1 was amended by adding to the Section the words: "*Provided*, That he gives a bond of indemnity to the State for double the value of the certificate issued."

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Walterboro Wharf Company was taken up. The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 12:55 P. M.

A Bill to make appropriation for the mileage and per diem of members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The following amendments, recommended by the Committee, were adopted:

Strike out the first Section of the Bill, and insert:

"SECTION 1. That the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$150,000,) if so much be necessary, be, and is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the Treasury for the payment of the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of

the subordinate officers, and other incidental expenses of the present session, commencing November 28, 1871: *Provided*, That none of the above appropriation shall be used for any other purpose."

Strike out Section 2, and insert:

"SEC. 2. That the sum of one hundred thousand (100,000) dollars, if so much be necessary, be, and is hereby, appropriated for the payment of any outstanding pay certificates for the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly at its session ending March 7, 1871, including all certificates given to subordinate officers for services connected therewith."

Amend Section 6, second line, by striking out the words "out of funds in the Treasury not otherwise disposed of, prior to any other claim or claims whatsoever."

On the fifth line, strike out the words "subject to the demands of such orders or certificates."

Add the following Section :

"SEC. 7. That all Acts, and parts of Acts, inconsistent with this Act, be, and are hereby, repealed."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Consideration of report of Committee appointed to inquire into the over-issue of State bonds.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, December 18, at 2 P. M.

Mr. BOWEN moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken.

Mr. JAMISON moved to indefinitely postpone the motion.

On this, he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 42; nays, 41. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Bosmon, Briggs, Dannerly, J. Davis, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Ramsay, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Warley and White.—42.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hedges, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—41.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 8.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 15, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of the following Bills, originating in your House:

Bill to authorize the purchase for the State of manuscript compilation of the Penal Code;

Bill to prohibit disguises;

Bill to incorporate the Shiloh Camp Grounds;

Bill to incorporate Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, of Ancient Free Masons, of South Carolina;

Bill to incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Zion, of Hamburg.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of Senate.

Also,

A concurrent resolution requesting the Governor to report what disposition has been made of the land scrip received by the State under the provisions of the Act of Congress donating public lands for the endowment of agricultural colleges.

The resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also, concurrent resolution requesting the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to report forthwith.

The resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Cheraw Fire Engine Company as a part of the Fire Department of the town of Cheraw.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to renew the charter of the People's Bank of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

A Bill to change the name of William Nathaniel Martin, and to make him one of the legal heirs of his father.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, returned a Bill (House) to incorporate the Walhalla Hook and Ladder Company, of Walhalla, South Carolina, amended by changing the title to "A Bill to incorporate the Mountaineer Fire Engine Company," of Walhalla, South Carolina, and by striking out, in Section 1, the names "H. W. Pressly, W. T. Thompson, A. B. Cary, R. E. Walton, John Kine," and inserting the names of "John Dale, A. Brennecke, S. S. Smeltzer, H. Stucke and Jacob Schroeder, Sr."

The amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to repeal a Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace, approved February 8, 1869, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of indebtedness was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, December 20, at 1 P. M.

A Senate Bill to alter and amend an Act to organize and govern the militia of the State of South Carolina was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the Bill was amended by adding the following as Section 2:

"SEC. 2. That the office of Assistant Adjutant General be, and is hereby, abolished, and the duties of that officer is hereby conferred upon the Adjutant General."

The Bill was further amended, by adding the following as Section 3:

"SEC. 3. That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be, and the same is hereby, repealed."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

Senate concurrent resolution to order and authorize the Comptroller General to commence legal proceedings to secure the books, accounts, vouchers and papers of the Financial Agency of S. C.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the further consideration of the resolution until Tuesday, December 19, at 3 P. M. Agreed to.

A Bill to incorporate the Red Hill Baptist Church, of Richland County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to establish a Bureau of Agricultural Statistics for the encouragement of industrial enterprises, and to invite capital for the development of the resources of the State," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Shiloh Baptist Church, of Richland County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act regulating the fees of Sheriffs and other officers therein named, and for other purposes, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message was sent to the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Council, No. 1, of Georgetown, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to purchase 2,000 stands of arms, of the most improved pattern, with the usual complement of ammunition," was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution (by Mr. Ford) to rescind the action of the House striking out the enacting clause of a Senate Bill to regulate the manner of granting divorces, was taken up.

The resolution was read.

Mr. HUMBERT moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution. Agreed to.

A Bill to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Association, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Concurrent resolution to require the State Treasurer to inform the General Assembly why he has not made his report to the Comptroller General, as required by law, was taken up.

The concurrent resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Joint Resolution to change the names of Samuel Dogan, Columbus Dogan, and Simon Dogan, to Samuel Farrow, Columbus Farrow, and Simon Farrow, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to declare the use of certain words a misdemeanor, and to punish the same, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, of Kingstree, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to provide compensation for jurors, in Courts of Trial Justices, and for the organization of the same, in their discretion, when not demanded by either of the parties, was taken up.

Mr. THOMPSON moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued,

Pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The SPEAKER presented the petition of the Board of Trade, of Charleston, against the passage of a Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police Force, for the city of Charleston.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, the annual report of the County Commissioners of Sumter County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of keeping and disbursing funds by certain officers."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution requiring the State Treasurer to report to the Attorney General an exhibit of all bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina, issued since September 1, 1868, and providing for his removal from office, should he fail to report.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being a Bill to provide compensation for jurors, in Courts of Trial Justices, and for the organization of the same, in their discretion, when not demanded by either of the parties, was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Thompson) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, it was agreed to.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following:

A Senate Bill to amend the 2d clause of the 18th Section of an Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts in this State;

A Bill, (favorably) to permit Samuel N. Anderson to adopt Samuel Lawson, and make him his lawful heir, and change his name to that of Samuel N. Anderson;

A Bill (favorably) to further provide for the administration of derelict estates;

A Bill (favorably) to change the names of Luta Eugenia Maddox and Ida Matilda Maddox to Luta Eugenia Smith and Ida Matilda Smith, and to confer on them the rights of legitimacy.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported back a Bill to repeal an Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State under certain circumstances, by a substitute entitled

"A Bill to amend an Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State under certain circumstances."

The substitute was adopted, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported a Joint Resolution to require the Land Commissioner to report at a certain time, by the following concurrent resolution as a substitute:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Land Commissioner be required, by Thursday, December 21, at half past one P. M., to make his annual report of all transactions of his office, to this General Assembly.

Ordered for consideration on Monday next.

Also, reported unfavorably on the following Bills, for the reason, that the passage of said Bills would be simply the re-enacting of laws already of force, and would offer no new or more expeditious process to remove tenants holding over, or to eject trespassers, or in cases of forcible entry and detainer, than is provided in Sections 25, 26, 27 and 28 of the Report of the Commissioners on the Revision and Consolidation of the Statute Laws of the State, to be found on pages 184 and 185 of said report:

A Bill to confer upon Trial Justices certain civil jurisdiction,

A Bill to extend the civil jurisdiction of Trial Justices to controversies between landlord and tenant, and to authorize them to empanel jurors to try the same;

A Bill to extend the civil jurisdiction of Trial Justices to cases of trespasses upon real estate, and to establish an expeditious mode of ejecting trespassers.

Also, (unfavorably) on a Bill to amend an Act in relation to Trial Justices, for the following reasons: That the Act to regulate the disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected in criminal causes by the Circuit Court of General Sessions and Trial Justices, approved March 9, 1871, to be found on page 655 Acts of the General Assembly of 1870 and 1871 contains, all the law which your Committee deem to be necessary to regulate the disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected by Trial Justices, and the Circuit Court of General Sessions.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to make appropriation for the payment of the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the words "subordinate officers and incidental expenses," and insert the words "subordinate officers."

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to indefinitely postpone the motion.

On this Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 57; nays, 16. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nerland, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—57.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Cousart, Dannerly, Frost, Goggins, Guffin, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Talbert, Taylor and White.—16.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certificate of State stock to A. S. Porcher.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on County Offices and Officers, reported back

A Bill (unfavorably) to amend an Act relating to the jurisdiction and duties of County Commssioners.

By unanimous consent, the Bill was taken up, and the enacting clause jo the Bill stricken out.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILSON presented the report of the County Commissioners of Anderson County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. SUMPTER presented the accounts of Toney Robinson and Alick Ford, for services rendered as Deputy State Constables.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act to establish a new Judicial and Election County from portions of the Counties of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County.

Mr. NERLAND gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to establish a road from Flowery Gap to Blackville.

Mr. BOWEN introduced the following resolution, which, by unanimous consent, was immediately considered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on State House and Grounds be ordered and directed to inquire by what authority the granite belonging to the State, and now lying in the State House yard, is being used, and for what purpose, and to report the same to this House on or before the 21st. instant.

Mr. BRYAN gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill providing for the election by the people of County Auditors and County Treasurers in 1872.

Mr. A. SMITH gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the village of Smithville, in Christ Church Parish, Charleston County.

Mr. KEITH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to define and provide for estrays, and to repeal sundry Acts in reference to fences.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. SMART, presented the report of the County Commissioners of Fairfield County:

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. WILLIAMS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will introduce

A Bill to re-charter the Mountain Lodge, No. 15, Independent Order of Odd-Fellows, of Greenville County.

Mr. GAREY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate contracts between employer and employees on plantations.

Also, presented the account of J. J. Hall, Constable, of Kershaw shaw County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. J. W. THOMAS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the Bennettsville and Society Hill Railroad Company.

Mr. CORWIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill regulating the execution of the death sentence.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DOYLE gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend the law in relation to the license and registration of pharmacentists, apothecaries, and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons.

Mr. HAGOOD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the granting of divorces.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Broad River Bridge Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures, and Incorporations.

Mr. GOODSON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the American Union Literary Club, of Gadsden, Richland County, South Carolina.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was, by unanimous consent, immediately considered and adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Clerk of the Senate be instructed to draw pay certificates for the per diem and mileage of the members from November 28, 1871, and inclusive of January 4, 1872, and in such amounts for the officers and attachees of the General Assembly as the Chairmen of the Committee on Ways and Means of the House, and Committee on Finance of the Senate, may determine.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the granting of divorces from the bonds of matrimony, and to regulate the proceedings therein.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the fees of Probate Judges and other officers therein mentioned," approved March 1, 1870.

Mr. MEAD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to grant, renew and amend the charter of Rock Hill, in the County of York.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BOWEN gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to establish an Inferior Court, for the trial of criminal cases, in the city and County of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. FROST, a concurrent resolution relative to the election of Associate Justices of the Supreme Court and Circuit Judges, which had been laid on the table, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the resolution was amended by striking out "18th instant" and inserting "January 15, 1872."

The resolution, as amended, was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. Bass, for five days;

Mr. Berry, for five days.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendments recommended by the Committee to Sections 5 and 6, as follows, were adopted:

In Section 5 insert, between the words "money" and "into," on the 2d line, the words "and all fines collected under this Act." Strike out, in Section 6, all after the word "shall," on the 7th line, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "be fined not less than one hundred, or more than five hundred dollars, or be imprisoned not less than one, or more than six months, in the County jail."

Section 6 was passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, December 18, at 2:30, P. M.

A concurrent resolution (by the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities) requesting the Congress of the United States to remove the political disabilities of H. W. Carter and A. J. Stringer, was taken up.

The concurrent resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to punish abduction and seduction, under the promise of marriage, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the consideration of the Bill was postponed until January 8, 1872.

A Bill in relation to selling or giving spirituous liquors to habitual drunkards, and to other persons, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JONES moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed until January 5, 1872. Agreed to.

A Bill to prohibit convicts in the Penitentiary from discharging labor on private property was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterboro Male Academy" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under orders of Gen. E. R. S. Canby was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Tuesday, December 19, at 1 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Carmel A. M. E. Church, in Lancaster County, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to prevent extortion in office and to enforce official duty was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the further consideration of the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

A Bill requiring the State Treasurer to deposit all funds belonging to the State in the vaults of the State Treasury, and to pay all proper claims against the State at the office of the Treasury, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Joint Resolution directing the Treasurer of the State to pay I. W. Hayne the sum of \$550 was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. HUNTER moved to strike out the resolving clause.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 2 P. M., on motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the House adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. GARDNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County.

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Saxton Riflemen, of Charleston, S. C.

On motion of Mr. A. SMITH, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

The Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred "A resolution declaring vacant the seat of J. Banks Lyle, of Spartanburg County, beg leave to report: That they have had the same under consideration, and recommend the adoption of the resolution, for the reasons that the Chairman of the Committee was instructed to call on Major Johnson, United States Marshal, to ascertain if he had in his possession a warrant for the arrest of the said J. Banks Lyle. Major Johnson informed the Chairman that he had a warrant, and still has the same in his possession, for the arrest of the said J. Banks Lyle; that he has been unable to find him; that he has left the State, and gone to "parts unknown," to avoid the arrest by the said United States Marshal; and that the same can be substantiated by the affidavits of over one hundred persons; and, further, Major Johnson states that the said J. Banks Lyle was the Chief of the "Grand Klan," of Spartanburg County. And, in consideration of the fact that the said J. B. Lyle was a representative of the people, your Committee feel bound to make the foregoing recommendation, in justice to the House and the citizens of the State.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the report was laid on the table to take up the resolution.

The resolution was taken up.

Mr. WHIPPER moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, December 20, at 1:15 P. M.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 22; nays, 64. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bryan, J. Davis, Elliott, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Humphries, Kennedy, Lang, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Ramsay, Reedish, A. L. Singleton, Thompson and Yocom.—22.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Andell, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, Simons, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—64.

On the question, being the motion (by Mr. Whipper) to postpone the consideration of the resolution, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, December 20, at 1 P. M.,

Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 67; nays, 19. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, John A. Green, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Keith, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, Ramsay, Simons, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—67.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bryan, E. Cain, James Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Glover, Guffin, Hart, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Kennedy, Lang, Milton, Mobley, Reedish, Thompson and Warley.—19.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill in relation to the service of process in civil and criminal causes, from a Court of Trial Justice or Justice of the Peace.

Mr. HEDGES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Council of the Independent Order of United Brethren of South Carolina.

Mr. HUMPHRIES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Gethsemane Baptist Church, of Chester County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. LEE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to re-charter the bridge leading from Hamburg, South Carolina, to Augusta, Georgia, over the Savannah River.

Mr. WILLIAMS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to re-charter the Mountain Lodge, No. 15, of Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenville County, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. HENDERSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill to amend and renew the charter of the town of Newberry;

A Bill to establish a Ferry across Tyger River, between the Counties of Newberry and Union;

A Bill to prevent and punish the useless handling of deadly weapons.

Also, introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Whereas a concurrent resolution was adopted by both branches of the General Assembly that the Senate and House take a recess from the 22d instant till January 5, 1872; and whereas the arrival of several members of the House will be on the same day; therefore, be it

Resolved, That when this House meets on the 5th of January, 1872, it meet at 7 o'clock P. M., of said day.

Mr. DOYLE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend the law in relation to license and registration of pharmacutists, apothecaries and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons.

Read the first time, and referred to the Medical Committee.

Mr. GOODSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the American Union Literary Club, of Gadsden, Richland County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to establish a State Police."

Mr. MOBLEY introduced

A Joint Resolution relating to the sinking fund.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. FROST presented the account of the Sheriff of Marion County for costs in *nulla bona* executions.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. LEE, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to authorize the Probate Judges to perform certain duties performed by the Commissioners in Equity, as defined on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1869.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. ELLIOTT introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That the Committee on Incorporations be, and they are hereby, respectfully requested to report, as soon as possible, on the Bill relative to pawnbrokers.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with concurrence, the following:

A resolution instructing the Clerks of both Houses to draw pay certificates for members of the General Assembly, and salaries of subordinate officers, from November 28, 1871, to January 4, 1872, inclusive;

A resolution requesting the Congress of the United States to remove the political disabilities of H. W. Carter and A. J. Stringer.

Also, sent report of Senate Committee on Claims, on account of J. M. Allen.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution directing the Treasurer of the State to pay I. W. Hayne the sum of \$550, being the Unfinished Business of December 16, at the hour of adjournment, was taken up.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Hunter) to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the further consideration of the Bill previously under discussion.

The consideration of the Bill was resumed.

The consideration of the motion to strike out the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was resumed and agreed to.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M., being a Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer, which had been suspended temporarily, was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, December 20, at 2 P. M. Agreed to.

A Bill to increase and define the jurisdiction of the City Court of Charleston was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the consideration of the Bill was indefinitely postponed.

Concurrent resolution requesting report from the Financial Board of the State was taken up.

Mr. BYAS moved to amend the resolution by striking out "December 20, 1871," and inserting "January 6, 1872."

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

Report of the Committee appointed to inquire into the over-issue of State bonds.

The report was read.

Mr. HUNTER moved that the recommendation contained in the report be adopted as the sense of the House.

Mr. BYAS moved, as a substitute, that the report be received as information.

Mr. FROST arose and asked the difference as to the two motions.

The SPEAKER ruled that the recommendation contained in the report of the Committee, (if adopted as the sense of the House,) to be the first step in the impeachment of those officers of the State who are, by the laws of the State, charged with the issue of State bonds, and that, therefore, the adoption of said recommendation by the House, as the sense of the House, would require a two-thirds vote of all the members elected, and that the adoption of the motion to receive the report as information would be an end of the matter.

Mr. WHIPPER appealed from the decision of the Chair.

A debate ensued, pending which,

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the business before the House was suspended temporarily.

Mr. WHIPPER moved that Rule 1 (which requires adjournment at 3 P. M.) be suspended for this day.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 44; nays, 51. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Crews, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, John A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hudson, Humphries, Keith, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Myers, Ramsay, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Talbert, J. W. Thomas, Warley and White.—44.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bosemon, Bowen, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, Miles, Mobley, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpster, Tarlton, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—51.

The question being taken on the motion to suspend,

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 52; nays, 43. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner,

Glover, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Jervey, Jones, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—52.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Elliott, Ellison, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Johnson, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Nuckles, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, J. W. Thomas, Warley, White and Yocom.—43.

The question being taken on the appeal (by Mr. Whipper) from the decision of the Chair,

Mr. O'CONNELL called for the yeas and nays; which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 36; nays, 48. So the decision of the Chair was not sustained.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dennis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart and A. Smith.—36.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bryan, L. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Frost, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Jones, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—48.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Byas) to receive the report as information,

Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 29; nays, 58. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Boston, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dennis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Humphries, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, Moore,

Mickey, Ramsay, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton and Abraham Smith.—29.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Crittenden, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Samuel Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Jones, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—58.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Hurley) to adopt the recommendation contained in the report as the sense of the House,

Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Jones, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, Wallace, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—58.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dennis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Humphries, Keith, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, Milton, Moore, Ramsay, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, J. W. Thomas and Warley.—28.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the business previously before the House was suspended.

Mr. BOWEN introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That Robert K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors.

Also, the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That Niles G. Parker, Treasurer of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors.

The following paper was presented to be entered on the Journal :

We, the undersigned, voted "no" on the motion to adopt, as the sense of the House, the report of the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the matter of over-issue of State bonds, for the following reason: That while the Committee may be in possession of sufficient facts to warrant them in recommending that steps be taken against the parties alleged to be guilty, yet they have produced no other evidence before this House than their bare statement that there have been frauds committed.

(Signed)

L. CAIN,
D. HARRIS.
C. D. HAYNE,
P. R. RIVERS.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, at 5:45 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 M.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorably) to regulate the granting of divorces ;

A Bill (favorably) to authorize the Probate Judges to perform certain duties performed by Commissioners in Equity, as defined on the 1st day of January, 1869 ;

A Bill (favorably) to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and jurors and witnesses, in Courts of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes, with the following amendment: Strike out all of the 9th Section, from and includ-

ing the word "whereupon," down to and including the word "days," in the next to the last line of said Section.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Walboo Wharf Company ;

A Bill to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston ;

A Bill in relation to the safe keeping of the public money ;

A Bill to incorporate the Red Hill Baptist Church, of Richland County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Shiloh Baptist Church, of Richland County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston, South Carolina ;

Joint Resolution to change the names of Samuel Dogan, Columbus Dogan and Simon Dogan, to Samuel Farrow, Columbus Farrow and Simon Farrow.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Bill (Senate) to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to purchase two thousand stands of arms, of the most improved pattern, with usual complement of ammunition."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to establish a Bureau of Agricultural Statistics for the encouragement of industrial enterprises, and to invite capital for the development of the resources of the State."

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the Bill was amended by striking out the word "repealed," at the end of the Section, and inserting "repealed, and the duties heretofore performed by the Commissioner of Agriculture shall be, and the same is hereby, conferred on the Secretary of State."

Also, by the addition of the following Section :

"SEC. 2. That all Acts or parts of Acts, inconsistent with this Act, be, and the same are hereby, repealed."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Bill (Senate) to alter and amend an Act to organize and govern the militia of the State of South Carolina.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back

A Bill (favorably) to re-charter the Mountain Lodge, No. 15, of the I. O. O. F., of Greenville County, S. C.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. TALBERT introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Incorporations be respectfully requested to report as soon as possible the Bill relative to the Abbeville Agricultural Society.

Mr. WILKES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill in relation to the service of process in civil and criminal causes issuing from a Court of Trial Justice or Justice of the Peace.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a new judicial and election County from portions of the Counties of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. NERLAND, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to establish a road from Flowery Gap to Blackville.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Also, presented accounts of W. T. Brooker, Robert Ayer and O. G. Durant, for services as school teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, presented the account of C. H. Colding, Magistrate of Barnwell County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. MYERS presented the petition of W. F. Colcock, of Beaufort, praying the removal of his political disabilities.

Referred to the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities.

Also, introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was, by request, referred to the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Congress of the United States be respectfully requested to remove the political disabilities of W. F. Colcock, of Beaufort County.

Mr. WHIPPER introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the State House Keeper be, and he is hereby, authorized and required to purchase fifty (50) tons of coal, for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. A. SMITH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to incorporate the village of Smithville, Christ Church Parish, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to incorporate the Laboring Society of Christ Church Parish, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. LOGAN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to legalize certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. HEDGES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Council of the Independent Order of United Brethren, of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BOWEN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to stop the payment of interest on the public debt.

Mr. JERVEY presented the report of the County Commissioners of Charleston County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HUMBERT introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means be requested to report back a Bill for the relief of Darlington County.

Mr. LEE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Rivers Guards, of Hamburg, S. C.

Mr. TAYLOR gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways ;

A Bill to reduce the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly of this State.

Mr. GAREY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate contracts between employer and employees on plantations.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. BOSTON introduced the following resolution, and moved that it be immediately considered :

Resolved, That no further action relative to the finances of the State shall be taken by this House until the report of the Committee appointed to investigate the financial condition of the State is received.

A debate ensued, pending which the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under order of General Ed. R. S. Canby.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the further consideration of the resolution under discussion.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Boston) to proceed to the immediate consideration of the resolution was resumed.

On the question of agreeing to the motion (by Mr. Boston,)

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 33 ; nays, 54. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Goggins, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Johnson, Lee, Littlefield, McDaniels, Milton, Mobley, Nuckles, Perry, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, Talbert and White.—33.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bryan, Byas, Crittenden,

J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott, Ford, Frost, Gardner, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jervay, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.—54.

The resolution was ordered for consideration to-morrow.

Mr. SIMONS presented a memorial of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Columbia, praying the passage of a Bill asking for authority to issue City of Columbia bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, presented the account of the Columbia Gas Company.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE presented the accounts of A. Palmer, Joseph Crews, I. Sulzbacher, L. C. Carpenter and Columbia Post Office.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Mr. MOBLEY introduced the following concurrent resolution, and moved to proceed to its immediate consideration. Agreed to :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That as the Joint Committee appointed by the House and Senate to investigate the financial condition of the State, has failed to comply with the order of this House requiring them to make their report, it is hereby resolved that if said report be not placed before this House on Wednesday, the 20th instant, they be deemed guilty of contempt towards the House of Representatives, and their seats be declared vacant.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution.

On motion of Mr. S. GREENE, the motion was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MOBLEY offered the following resolution as a substitute :

Resolved, That the members of this House, who were appointed on a Joint Committee of the two Houses of the General Assembly to investigate the books of the Financial Agent of this State, be, and they are hereby, required to report to this House such part of the proceedings in said investigation as may be in their possession, on the 20th instant ; and if the said members fail to make such report on the day aforesaid, they shall be expelled from this House, and their seats be declared vacant from said day.

On the question of adopting the substitute, the yeas and nays were ordered, and are as follows :

Yeas, 83 ; nays, 8. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither-Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jervay, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—83.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Bowen, Bryan, C. D. Hayne, Levy, Myers and Whipper.—8.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, so much of Rule 1 as requires an adjournment at 3 P. M., was suspended for this day.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 3 P. M.

Consideration of concurrent resolution (Senate) to order and authorize the Comptroller General to commence legal proceedings to secure the books, accounts, vouchers and papers of the Financial Agency of the State of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the consideration of the Special Order was postponed for future action.

Mr. BYAS moved to suspend the business before the House, in order to take up

A resolution that Robert K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors. Agreed to.

The resolution was taken up.

A debate ensued.

Mr. BOWEN, having the floor, yielded to allow a motion to adjourn.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, at 4:30 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a resolution (by Mr. Bowen) that Robert K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors, was resumed.

Mr. BOWEN, being entitled to the floor, yielded, to consider the following:

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned a Bill to make appropriation for the payment of the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto, amended by striking out, in Section 1, the words "and fifty."

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the amendment was concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and the Bill ordered to be enrolled.

The consideration of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of indebtedness.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business previously before the House.

The consideration of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 1:15 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:15 P. M.

Resolution (by Mr. Kennedy) declaring vacant the seat of J. Banks Lyle, of Spartanburg County, S. C.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the further consideration of the business previously before the House.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, so much of Rule 1 as requires adjournment at 3 P. M., was suspended for this day.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Special Committee on the part of the House to investigate the books, &c., of the Financial Agent, Treasurer, &c., submitted a report, in accordance with an order of the House.

Mr. HURLEY, from the same Committee, submitted a minority report.

The reports were ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow.

The consideration of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 2 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the further consideration of the resolution previously before the House.

The consideration of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) was resumed.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution.

A debate ensued.

Mr. JONES, having the floor, yielded for a motion to adjourn.

On motion of Mr. ELLIOTT, at 4:45 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a resolution (by Mr. Bowen) that Robert K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors, was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution, was resumed.

Mr. JONES, having the floor, yielded, to allow a concurrent resolution (by Mr. Whipper) authorizing Keeper of State House to purchase fifty tons of coal, to be taken up.

The concurrent resolution was taken up, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

The consideration of the unfinished business was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which the Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 3.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, December 21, 1871.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following Act, to wit :

An Act to make appropriation for the payment of the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

The consideration of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution, was resumed.

A debate ensued, (Mr. Whipper having the floor,) when, at the hour of 3 P. M.,

The SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 M.

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Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 4:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, December 22, 1871.

To the Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith transmit for your information a Proclamation convening the General Assembly at 12 o'clock, noon, on to-morrow, the 23d day of December, 1871, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State

To adjourn and leave the Chief Magistrate and Treasurer of the State in office, with a resolution accusing them of "high crimes and misdemeanors" pending in the House of Representatives, would be a most dangerous precedent, as it would enable one branch of the General Assembly, which alone can prefer charges, to paralyze the Executive arm of the State, while it denies the accused their right to meet their accusers face to face. If the pending Resolution of Impeachment expresses the sense of the House of Representatives, and is, in their judgment, warranted by the law and the facts, it is their duty to the State to so declare, and not adjourn, and leave in power officers whose acts merit such charges.

If the resolution does not express the sense of the House, then justice to the people and the accused imperatively demands that the House should so declare without further delay.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

Whereas Resolutions of Impeachment against the Governor and Treas-

urer of the State were introduced into the House of Representatives on the 13th day of December, 1871; and, whereas, by reason of a Concurrent Resolution adopted by the Senate and House of Representatives, the General Assembly will adjourn at three o'clock P. M., on Friday, the 22d instant, during the pendency and consideration of the said Resolutions of Impeachment, such adjournment to continue until the fifth day of January, 1872; and, whereas, it is neither decent nor proper, and is injurious to the interests of the State, that such adjournment should take place, while the Governor and State Treasurer are charged in a pending Resolution with "high crimes and misdemeanors," without having a definite vote taken upon such charges;

Therefore, know ye, that I, ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor of the State of South Carolina, deeming this an extraordinary occasion, do, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of said State, call upon the members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina to convene in General Assembly, at the State House, in the city of Columbia, at twelve o'clock meridian, on Saturday, the twenty-third (23d) day of December, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at Columbia, this 22d day [L. s.] of December, A. D. 1871, and in the ninety-sixth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

(Signed) F. L. CARDOZO, Secretary of State.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) that R. K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors, was taken up.

Mr. LEE rose to a privileged question, and stated that, in accordance with Rule 62 of the House of Representatives, he had a right to ask special leave of the House to suspend the unfinished business, in order to make a motion in connection with the said unfinished business.

The SPEAKER ruled the motion, that special leave of the House be granted for the purpose indicated, to be in order.

Special leave having been granted, Mr. LEE moved that all debate on the pending resolution do now close, and that the House proceed to take a yote on said resolution at 1 P. M., this day.

Mr. HURLEY moved to make the consideration of the motion the Special Order for January 5, 1872, at 1 P. M.

Mr. LEE called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 65; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Jas. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and White.—65.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, E. Cain, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Ford, Frost, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—29.

On the main question, which was will the House agree to the motion (by Mr. Lee,).

Mr. BOWEN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 67; nays, 25. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, F. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and White.—67.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, E. Cain, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Ford, Frost, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—25.

Mr. BYAS moved that so much of Rule 1 as requires an adjournment at 3 P. M. be suspended for this day, and called the previous question, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 60; nays, 21. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnston, Jones, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and White.—60.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, L. Cain, E. Cain, Derrick, Farr, Frost, Goggins, Jervey, Lloyd, Miles, Sellers, Taylor, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—21.

On the main question, which was the motion (by Mr. Byas) for suspension of Rule 1,

Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 63; nays, 25. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—63.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, E. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Farr, Frost, Goodson, Goggins, Hurley, Jervey, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—25.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorably) to alter the mode of appointing one free student, from each County, to the University of the State of South Carolina;

A Bill (favorably) to renew the charter of the Pendleton Male Academy;

A Bill (unfavorably) to amend an Act in relation to Free Common Schools;

A Bill (unfavorably) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina,'" approved March 6, 1871.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported on the following accounts, and recommended payment:

A. Palmer, Columbia Post Office, Peter Robinson, L. C. Carpenter, J. Williams, and others.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Special Joint Committee on the part of the House, appointed to investigate the books, &c., of the Financial Agent, Treasurer, &c., submitted a report.

Ordered to lie over for consideration.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

In accordance with previous action, the House proceeded to vote upon the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution (by Mr. Bowen) that R. K. Scott, Governor of South Carolina, be impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors.

The yeas and nays were ordered, and are as follows:

Yeas, 65; nays, 32. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and White—65.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Lawrence Cain, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom—32.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal:

On the motion to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution to impeach Governor Scott, I vote No; not thereby intimating that the facts adduced to the House would be sufficient to induce the Senate to convict His Excellency of high crimes and misdemeanors; but, because, upon a question so seriously affecting the reputation of the Governor, and the interests of the people, no hasty vote should be taken, but ample time should be given for thorough investigation and calm consideration.

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES.

Mr. HURLEY moved that the business of the morning hour be suspended, to take up the Governor's Message.

Mr. BYAS moved, as a substitute, that a resolution (by Mr. Bowen) that Niles G. Parker, Treasurer of the State of South Carolina, be impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors, be taken up.

Mr. BOWEN moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 23; nays, 63. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Ford, Frost, Glover, Hedges, Hurley, Jervy, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—23.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Furguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—63.

Mr. BYAS called the previous question on his motion, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the adoption of the substitute by Mr. Byas,)

Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 64; nays, 25. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and White.—64.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hurley, Jervy, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—25.

On the main question

Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and resulted as follows :

Yeas, 61; nays, 16. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—61.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bosemon, Boston, L. Cain, Dannerly, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Jones, Lee, Mobley, O'Connell, Tarlton and Whipper.—16.

The resolution was taken up. •

The question being taken on the adoption of the resolution, the yeas and nays were ordered, and are as follows :

Whole number of votes given, 89.

Yeas, 27 ; nays, 63. So the resolution was not adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hurley, Jervey, Lloyd, Logan, Miles, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—27.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—63.

Mr. L. CAIN stated that had he been present he would have voted in the negative.

The following papers were presented to be entered on the Journal :

I vote ~~yea~~, on the motion to impeach the Treasurer, not thereby assuming that the facts stated would induce the Senate to convict him of high crimes and misdemeanors, but because the *prima facie* evidence is sufficient to put the Treasurer upon his defence; an investigation is due to the Treasurer, as well as to the people.

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES.

We voted for the adoption of the resolutions to impeach Governor Scott and Treasurer Parker for the following reasons :

1. Because public rumor has charged them with an over-issue of bonds.
2. Because these charges have been sustained by the report of the Committee appointed by the House of Representatives, which report has not been denied by any of the parties on the floor who have defended them, nor can they be successfully contradicted.
3. Because we regard them as the men who have brought financial ruin upon the State. Whether by capacity or imbecility, the result is the same. We believe the former.
4. Because we believe it to be the duty of the Representatives to protect the people against the robberies of officials.
5. Because, in enforcing the vote at this time, they excluded the testimony of the Joint Committee, this day handed in, which testimony, in

our opinion, is damaging to these officials, and the said vote was brought on by ruling contrary to all parliamentary rule—depriving a member of the floor, who had the unquestionable right to speak, and that, too, under the protest of a respectable minority of the House of Representatives.

6. Because it saddles upon the Republican party of South Carolina, the party now in power, the corruption of individuals—a load that said party cannot carry—and compels honest men to seek some other political affiliation.

7. Because it can be demonstrated, by figures, that the impoverished people of the State cannot carry the debt thus dishonestly imposed upon them, and it would not be right to repudiate the debt, either positively or negatively, without holding responsible the men who have contracted it for their own purposes.

(Signed)

W. J. WHIPPER,
T. A. DAVIS,
AARON LOGAN.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from his Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 5.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, December 22, 1871.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

Whereas the action of the House of Representatives, on this day, has rendered unnecessary the Proclamation from this Department, convening the General Assembly on the 23d instant, I have deemed it proper to revoke and rescind that Proclamation, and it is hereby accordingly rescinded and revoked.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, it was,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns to-day it stand adjourned to meet at 7 P. M., on January 5, 1872.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, at 5 P. M., the House adjourned, to meet Friday, January 5, 1872, at 7 P. M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1872.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, (Friday December 22, 1871,) the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum not answering to their names,

On motion of Mr. BARKER, at 7:10 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and, a quorum not answering to their names,

On motion of Mr. BARKER, at 12:15 P. M., the House adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Friday, December 22, 1871, was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to prohibit convicts in the Penitentiary from discharging labor on private property ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterboro Male Academy ;"

A Bill to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Council, No. 1, of Georgetown, S. C.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back report (favorable) of the Senate Committee on Claims on account of H. F. Baker & Co., and recommended concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and the report ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, from the Committee on State House and Grounds, submitted the following :

The Committee on State House and Grounds, to whom was referred the resolution ordering and directing said Committee " to inquire by what authority the granite belonging to the State, and now lying in the State House yard, is being used, and for what purpose," ask leave to report, that they have investigated the matter, and find that the Governor was authorized, by a concurrent resolution of the General Assembly, in the early part of 1870, to dispose of all building material, not deemed available for completing the State Capitol, and in pursuance of said authority, sold the same at public auction, and realized therefrom something over \$3,000, and that the same has gone into the Sinking Fund ; and, further, that the granite now being worked and carried away is a portion of the condemned material, sold last May, a year ago, by authority aforesaid, the same never having been removed.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the further consideration of the report was postponed, and made the Special Order for Thursday, January 11, at 1 P. M.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 6.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, January 8, 1872.

Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following Acts, to wit :

“ An Act to alter and amend the charter of the town of Georgetown ;”

“ An Act to renew the Charter of Strawberry Ferry, over the Cooper River ;”

“ An Act to incorporate the Young Men’s Africanus Debating Club ;”

“ Joint Resolution to require the Governor to communicate with the proper authorities of the State of Georgia, with a view to the readjustment of the boundary line between the States of Georgia and South Carolina, and authorizing the appointment of three Commissioners ;”

“ An Act to validate the action of the County Commissioners of Oconee County, in exchanging and conveying the lot ceded to them to build a jail upon ;”

“ An Act to incorporate the Mountaineer Fire Engine Company, of Walhalla, South Carolina ;”

“ An Act to amend Section two hundred and seventy-nine, of the Code of Procedure of the State of South Carolina.”

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities, reported on petition of W. L. Colcock, of Beaufort County, for removal of political disabilities, by the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Congress of the United States be respectfully requested to remove the political disabilities of W. L. Colcock, of Beaufort County, South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the report was laid on the table to take up the resolution.

The resolution was, by unanimous consent, considered, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER presented the report of the County Commissioners of Beaufort County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, presented accounts of Carolina Printing Company, H. Solomons, W. Brown.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

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MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No 9.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 18, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of the following Bills from your House:

A Bill to incorporate certain Religious Institutions herein named;

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Barnwell County; and transmit herewith report of Senate Committee on Incorporations in reference thereto, which was agreed to in the Senate.

Very respectfully,
(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate,

The following is the report:

The Committee on Incorporations, to whom was referred sundry Bills for Religious and Charitable purposes, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to recommend that they be indefinitely postponed, for the following reasons:

That an Act passed and approved February 28, 1870, page 373, Vol. XIV, entitled "An Act to provide for the formation of Religious, Charitable and Educational Associations," is a full and sufficient law for all Religious and Charitable Associations desiring to be incorporated; and we recommend that all Bills coming under the head of the Act mentioned will be disposed of accordingly; and your Committee ask that the said Bills be sent back to the House, and that they be informed of the reasons for the indefinite postponement.

(Signed)

H. J. MAXWELL, Chairman.

True copy: J. WOODRUFF, Clerk of Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 10.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 20, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that a Bill from your House, entitled "A Bill to amend the first clause of Section 25, Title 3, of an Act entitled 'An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the

rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State," approved March 1, 1870, has been laid on the table in the Senate.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No.. 11.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., December 21, 1871.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it refuses to concur in concurrent resolution, from your House, entitled "Concurrent resolution authorizing the Keeper of the State House to purchase fifty tons of coal." The resolution is respectfully returned herewith.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also, sent the following:

A Bill to regulate pilotage at the ports of Charleston, Beaufort and Georgetown.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Chesterfield.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to purchase a set of fire and burglar proof doors for the vault in his office.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on State House and Grounds.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to alter and renew the charter of the town of Darlington."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create a debt of the State of South Carolina, to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt, the same, or the proceeds thereof, to be used exclusively in exchange for or in payment of the existing public debt of said State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. HURLEY gave notice that he will on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce the following :

A Bill to fund the interest due on the debt legally issued of the State of South Carolina ;

A Bill to provide for a general license law ;

A Bill to provide for the collection of all taxes past due, and the setting aside of the same for the release of the bonds now hypothecated in New York ;

A Bill to provide for the settlement of all claims due by the State to the creditors of the Bank of the State ;

A Bill to provide for the safe keeping of all minors in some institution other than the public jail or Penitentiary ;

A Bill to provide for the protection of animals.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the liability of hotel keepers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

A Bill to incorporate the Union Loan Association, of the city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BOWEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish an Inferior Court for the trial of criminal cases in the County of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HEDGES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following:

A Bill to authorize the County Treasurers to receive County checks and orders for taxes ;

A Bill to incorporate the Big Bay and Adam's Run (narrow gauge) Railroad Company ;

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Island Land Company.

Mr. LOGAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill legalizing certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned,

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LEVY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the People's Savings Institution, of Charleston, South Carolina.

Mr. BOWEN introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Comptroller General to draw a warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of C. Werner, when certain requirements are fulfilled.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HOLMES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company."

Mr. L. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Augusta Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. LEE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Rivers Guards, of Hamburg, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also,

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the salary of the late Judge Platt to his widow.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. ADAMSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize the construction of a free bridge across the Wateree River, in Kershaw County.

Mr. HUDSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster Riflemen.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. CREWS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to change the names of Lee Abrams, John Abrams, Dunkin Abrams and Mary Abrams to Lee Ferguson, John Ferguson, Dunkin Ferguson and Mary Ferguson, and to permit Charles M. Ferguson to adopt and make them his lawful heirs.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. REEDISH gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association.

Mr. WHITE presented the accounts of H. J. Steele, D. Patterson and J. T. Shaw, Constables of York County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to require the Sheriffs, or their deputies, to take charge of juries in all criminal cases until their verdicts have been rendered.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

We voted " No " on the resolutions to impeach R. K. Scott, Governor, and Niles G. Parker, Treasurer State of South Carolina, for the following reasons :

Because we were members of the Committee to investigate the alleged over-issue of bonds, and that the Chairman of that Committee informed the House of Representatives, before the said Committee was appointed, that he had facts and figures in his possession which would implicate the entire Financial Board of the State. That, after the persons composing the Financial Board were, each of them, summoned and examined separately by the said Committee, there was nothing in their testimony which would substantially establish the alleged rumor of an over-issue of State bonds under the several Acts authorizing the same. That the said Chairman was then called upon by the Committee, and, under oath, testified his knowledge of the said over-issue, and that he stated that there had been bonds issued, from time to time, to the amount of twenty-two million dollars, in accordance with the Governor's Message, and that six millions five hundred thousand dollars (\$6,500,000) of the said issues were entirely contrary to the law which authorized the said Financial Board to issue the same, because they were not issued within the twenty-four months granted by law to raise the required amount of money.

Believing in the testimony of the Chairman, we thereupon deemed it our duty, in accordance with our oath of office, to protect the lives and property, and enforce the laws of our commonwealth, to sign the report made by the Committee, which report he seemed, as well as other members of the Committee, anxious to render to the House of Representatives, making the recommendation, that the supposed guilty parties be brought to justice.

But after having consulted the ablest legal minds with whom we were acquainted, and in whom we had implicit confidence, believing that they felt as much interested as ourselves in the welfare and good government of our State, they informed us that the said Financial Board may have acted dishonest in other matters, but, as to the various issues of bonds, the laws under which they had made these issues would justly warrant

them in issuing any amount, whatsoever, and at any time. That the stipulations of the law only limited them to the borrowing of the money, and not the issue of the bonds.

In accordance with our above mentioned obligations to our oath, we deemed it our duty to protect the officers of our commonwealth, until, in accordance with our Constitution, good and substantial reasons should be adduced before we could be warranted in casting our votes to impeach them of high crimes and misdemeanors, as set forth in the resolutions above alluded to.

(Signed)

BENJAMIN BYAS,
W. H. JONES, Jr.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the City of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, January 11, at 1 P. M. Agreed to.

A Bill to renew the charter of the Pendleton Male Academy was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to change the names of Luta Eugenia Maddox and Ida Matilda Maddox, to Luta Eugenia Smith and Ida Matilda Smith, and to confer on them the rights of legitimacy, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Saxton Riflemen, of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to regulate the granting of divorces was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Report of Special Joint Committee appointed to examine books, &c., of Financial Agent was taken up.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to postpone the consideration of the report, and make the same the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

Agreed to.

A Bill to extend the civil jurisdiction of Trial Justices to controversies between landlord and tenant, and to authorize them to empanel juries, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities, or evidences of indebtedness, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued,

Pending which, at the hour of 2:30 P. M., on motion of Mr. KEITH, the House adjourned till to-morrow at 12 M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of indebtedness, the same was resumed.

Mr. L. CAIN withdrew his motion to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, and moved to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Pending the consideration of which, the Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 7.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, January 9, 1872.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

A document entitled "Report of the Joint Special Financial Investigating Committee, appointed by the General Assembly," having been

laid before your honorable bodies, in which report I am assailed in terms marked by the most scurrilous malignity, and embodying grave charges against me, I claim the privilege of responding to its unwarranted allegations. As I cannot, under your rules, meet my accusers face to face, I shall reply to their accusations in the only mode by which I can place my vindication before you.

Nothing material, in this answer, shall rest upon my own veracity, but all matters of fact shall be weighed by the proofs, and all questions of law made clear in the light of the very statutes under a false construction of which I have been arraigned at the bar of public opinion. I shall fall far short of my purpose, if I do not satisfy every fair minded member of the General Assembly that my accusers have failed, utterly, to present a particle of law or testimony to show that I have been false to my obligations as the Chief Magistrate of the State, or that I have, in any capacity, violated a public trust. The report immediately in question is virtually a supplement, or continuation, of the report adopted by the House of Representatives, on the 18th ultimo, and which was the unsubstantial basis of resolutions of impeachment, that, after five days of exhaustive discussion, were voted down by a majority of two-thirds of the House. As the propositions of law and fact upon which those resolutions were decisively voted down were carefully suppressed by the journals opposed to the principles on which the existing State Government is founded, and as the evidence that justifies the action of the House of Representatives has never been published, I desire, also, to bring that procedure under review, and to lay bare the secret springs that moved it. I shall treat these reports in their order, answering, first, the propositions which are declared, by those who made them, to warrant my impeachment for "high crimes and misdemeanors." The various loose allegations, reduced to a definite shape, are:

First: That, as Governor, I have over-issued, or have been, with criminal intent, accessory to an over-issue of State bonds, amounting to \$6,314,000.

To furnish a basis for this charge, it was first necessary to make it appear to the House that there was an actual over-issue of bonds, as the charge was manifestly not tenable for an instant, unless such over-issue were clearly proved. The following are the alleged proofs, and all the proofs yet alleged of the over-issue charged:

1st. That the State Treasurer reported, on the 31st day of October, 1870, that the total amount of bonds issued to that date was \$3,200,000.

2d. That the State Treasurer reported, on the 31st day of October, 1871, that the amount of bonds issued to that date was \$9,514,000.

3d. That, accepting these two statements of the Treasurer as true, bonds to the amount of \$6,314,000 were issued by the Governor between

the 31st day of October, 1870, and the 31st day of November, 1871, and, therefore, such bonds were an over-issue, because they were issued subsequent to August 26, 1870, the date at which the twenty-four months' limitation fixed by law for the "*issue of bonds*" expired, pursuant to the Act of March 26, 1869, (Stat. at Large, Vol. 14, p. 258,) entitled "An Act to authorize the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, to pledge State bonds as collateral security, and for other purposes."

In order to make it plain that the above conclusion is not warranted by the premises on which it is professedly based, and cannot, by any stretch of human ingenuity, be extorted from the terms of the law, which is avowedly its sole foundation, I ask your careful consideration of the Act in question, which is as follows:

"SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, be, and he is hereby, authorized to pledge the bonds of the State, which the State now has, or may hereafter have in its possession, as collateral security for State loans: *Provided*, That in all transactions he shall conform to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize a loan to redeem the obligations known as the Bills Receivable of the State of South Carolina," ratified the twenty-sixth day of August, A. D. 1868.

SEC. 2. That Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to authorize a State loan to pay the interest on the public debt," passed the twenty-sixth day of August, 1868, and Section 1 of an Act, entitled "An Act to authorize a loan to redeem the obligations known as the Bills Receivable of the State of South Carolina," passed the same date, be so amended as to extend the time during which said loans may be negotiated to twenty-four months from the passage of said Acts.

SEC. 3. That the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, be, and he is hereby, directed to make and forward to the Comptroller-General of the State a report of his transactions, quarterly, which report the Comptroller-General is hereby directed to include with his annual report to the General Assembly."

It will be seen that this Act, (Section 2,) the provisions of which have never been modified, as there is no later Act upon this subject, simply fixes the time "*during which loans may be negotiated*," and makes no limitation whatever as to the *issue of bonds*; it cannot, therefore, be tortured, by any scheme of malice or imposture, into a prohibition against the issue of bonds, even at this date, to cover loans negotiated prior to the expiration of the period designated for the negotiation of loans. Nor is it even alleged that any loans have been negotiated subsequent to the

expiration of that period, to wit: August 26, 1870. Hence the matter of this charge has not been brought within the terms of the law relied upon to sustain it, and the charge thus far stands unsupported by the statute. To say, therefore, that bonds issued subsequent to August 26, 1870, were issued in violation of this Act of March 26, 1869, which it has been shown does not relate to the issue of bonds, is to attempt to practice a bold and palpable fraud upon the intelligence of the General Assembly.

But, even granting that this Act did, in plain terms, prohibit the issue or sale of a single bond after the 26th day of August, 1870, and that bonds in the amount named *were* issued and sold since that date, still this fact would be utterly foreign to any possible charge that would warrant the impeachment of the Governor; for the powers granted by the Act in question, and the restrictions that it imposes, relate to the Financial Agent, and to the Financial Agent alone, and whatever penalties may attach to their abuse or violation must be visited solely on him, under the provisions of this law. Indeed, this very Act, in unmistakable language, excludes the Executive from all control over the negotiation of loans, by declaring (Section 1) "That the FINANCIAL AGENT of the State of South Carolina, in the City of New York, be, and he is hereby, authorized to pledge the bonds of the State, which the State now has, *or may hereafter have in its possession*, as collateral security for State loans."

The only restriction imposed upon the Financial Agent, in the exercise of the extraordinary power thus given him, is in Section 5 of the Act of August 26, 1868, (Statutes at Large, Vol 14, p. 17,) to which he is required to "conform his transactions;" but these restrictions apply only *when bonds are to be sold*, and require him to sell "at the highest market price, and not less than for a sum to be fixed by the Governor, Attorney General and Treasurer," these officers being named in the Act, in their joint capacity, as the Financial Board of the State, and not in their official characters, as members of the Executive Department of the State Government. As additional evidence of the miserable trickery and reckless perversions of law and fact resorted to by the framer of the report presented in the House, and which I have thus far reviewed and answered, I call your attention to the fact, that it is therein stated, or implied, that the Act of March 26, 1869, prohibits the negotiation of any loans, and the issue of bonds, after August 26, 1870, whereas said Act contains no such restrictions, (see Section 2,) its limitations referring only to *two loans* that are plainly specified, to wit: the "loan to pay the interest on the public debt," and the "loan to redeem the obligations known as the Bills Receivable."

Neither of these loans is alleged, by the author of the report, to have been negotiated subsequent to August 26, 1870, and they were both, in fact, negotiated prior to that date, as shown by the report of the State Treasurer.

I would add, in concluding my review of this report, that, even if all that it alleges were undeniably true, it would furnish no evidence whatever that either the Governor or the State Treasurer has been culpable in the premises. It is simply a bundle of surmises and insinuations, bolstered up by the grossest perversions of law, and borrows the ill-fitting cloak of an honest concern for the State credit to cover the moral nakedness of its author.

But it is alleged in the Joint Report that this pretended over-issue of State bonds was made by the Financial Agent, under the direction of the Financial Board, which is composed of the Governor, Attorney General, and State Treasurer, and that, therefore, I am responsible, *as Governor*, for such over-issue. This allegation assumes, without one atom of proof, that there has actually been an over-issue of bonds, and then proceeds to fix the responsibility for such presumed over-issue—a mode of reasoning as startlingly absurd and unjust as it would be to arraign and condemn a man for bigamy in a Court of justice before it had been proved that a marriage had been entered into.

I unhesitatingly deny that there has been any over-issue of bonds, or that any one bond, of any class, has been issued, except in pursuance of law. Whenever the Acts authorizing the issue of State securities were susceptible of the slightest doubt of their real meaning and intent, as regards the issue of any class or amount of bonds, and their sale or hypothecation, the opinion of the Attorney General was required and obtained by the Board; and no bond has been issued contrary to the opinion of the Attorney General, the highest law officer of the State.

The oft-repeated assertion, in this Joint Report, that bonds have been over-issued, makes it requisite (before proceeding to demonstrate the audacious falsity of its conclusions, so far as they affect me personally or officially,) that the term “over-issue” should be clearly defined in its legal acceptation.

An over-issue of bonds is, in a legal sense, an issue made in excess of the amount of bonds authorized by law. As, however, not one of the Acts authorizing the creation of a loan, limits the amount of bonds to be issued—they specifying only the amount of money to be raised on bonds of the State, whether the issue required were more or less—it follows, undeniably, that there has been no over-issue in this sense. There is but one other sense in which an over-issue in our bonds can possibly be charged, and that is, that an amount of bonds has been issued in excess of the amount actually necessary to have purchased or

borrowed the total amount of money required by the Acts authorizing the issue of bonds. Those Acts authorize the borrowing, in the aggregate, of three millions two hundred thousand dollars, in money, on any amount of bonds that, in the judgment of the Financial Board, might be deemed necessary to borrow that amount of money. The Joint Report, and the report heretofore referred to, admit that the total amount of money specified, to wit : \$3,200,000, has been raised ; but they both allege that, in order to raise that amount, bonds have been placed in the hands of the Financial Agent, as reported by the Treasurer, having a face value to the amount of \$9,514,000, and they, therefore, conclude that the difference between this amount of bonds and the \$3,200,000 in money, namely, \$6,314,000, face value of bonds, represents an over-issue of bonds. This proposition proceeds upon the notoriously false assumption that \$3,200,000 in State bonds were worth, at the date of their negotiation, \$3,200,000 in money. If the Committee do not mean this, then they do not mean, what they have distinctly and unequivocally said in their declaration, that there has been an over-issue of bonds to the amount of \$6,314,000. If, however, they do mean this, then it is incumbent upon them to show the proofs that warrant so grave a charge, or stand convicted of a base conspiracy, in the judgment of every man who has a moral sense less obtuse than that which distinguishes the convicted criminal.

To show the grossness of the attempt to palm this false statement off upon the General Assembly and the public, as the truth, in regard to the financial management of the State, I cite the following facts, which will be attested by many of the leading bankers of New York : In the fall of 1868 I visited New York city, for the purpose of borrowing money on the credit of the State on coupon bonds, under the provisions of the Acts of August 26, 1868. I had the assistance of Mr. H. H. Kimpton, U. S. Senator F. A. Sawyer, and Mr. George S. Cameron. I called at several of the most prominent banking houses to effect the negotiation of the required loan, and they refused to advance any money upon our State securities, for those securities had been already branded with the threat of a speedy repudiation by the political opponents of the Administration, who have ever since howled the same cry against the State credit. As the persons who made this threat controlled the press of the State, they were enabled to impress capitalists abroad with the false idea of a speedy reaction that would soon place them again in authority.

As the capitalists well knew that these persons, when in power in 1862, did repudiate their debts due Northern creditors, their distrust of our bonds was very natural and apparently well founded. It soon became evident to every man familiar with our financial standing in New York that, to negotiate the loan authorized, the question was not *what we would take for the bonds*, but *what we could get for them*. After much

effort, and the most judicious management, I succeeded in borrowing money, through Mr. Cameron, at the rate of four dollars in bonds for one dollar in currency, the bonds being rated at 75 per cent. below their par value, or at 25 cents on the dollar. This loan, however, was only effected at the extravagant rate of one and a half per cent. per month, or eighteen per cent. a year—a rate only demanded on the most doubtful paper, to cover what is deemed a great risk—for the money loaned.

Subsequent loans were effected at a higher valuation of the bonds, but at rates of interest varying from 15 to 20 per cent., in addition to commissions necessarily to be paid the Financial Agent. If, then, three millions two hundred thousand (\$3,200,000) dollars, in money, have cost the State nine millions five hundred and fourteen thousand (9,514,000) in bonds, it does not, therefore, follow that the Financial Board have criminally conspired against the credit of the State, and, still less, that any *one member* of the Board can justly be held up to public execration or stigmatized by an accusation of "high crimes and misdemeanors" for the assumed results of its action. Even if the Board have exercised their discretion unwisely in the management of the finances, still it was a discretion vested in them by law, and its exercise, however unfortunate in results, cannot, in the absence of an evil intent, clearly shown beyond a reasonable doubt, properly become the subject of public denunciation.

The Joint Committee have themselves stated, on page 241 of their report, facts that should have admonished them against making the baseless statement, in effect, that our bonds could have been negotiated at near their par value. They say: "The reasons for such an aggregate in loans, when so small an amount has been furnished the State by the Financial Agent, over and above the moneys sent him by the State Treasurer, are manifold. Among them was *the want of confidence in the securities of South Carolina*, the absence of financial experience and reputation of the Financial Agent, and the consequent necessity of short loans, often repeated, protected by heavy collaterals, satisfied in the payment of high per centages, great interests, usurious discounts, and large commissions, every time the loans were negotiated."

It is proper that I should add that the armed violence which has prevailed in this State for the past three years, has had upon our bonds the same effect as actual war, in lessening their purchasing value, as money is dearer in war than in peace. Ku Kluxism made capitalists shrink from touching the bonds of this State, as a man would shrink from touching a pestilential body.

I am astonished, in looking over the three and a half years through which we have just passed, that we have been so moderate in the expenditure of money; that, instead of collecting one million of dollars from

taxes, it has not been three times that amount, when we consider that an absolute state of war has existed in many parts of the State, and that, in any attempt to enforce the law, open threats of violence, and resistance to its officers, were of daily occurrence.

Those who complain of the low price at which our bonds have sold in the markets of the country, and that it has cost nine millions of bonds to buy less than three and a-half millions of dollars in currency, have only to examine the testimony being developed before the United States Court, now in session in the Capitol of the State, to find any easy solution for every financial evil that has afflicted the people.

But the Committee again lapse into error, when they assert that the \$9,514,000 of bonds delivered to the Financial Agent are all held as a debt against the State.

The exhibit of the Treasurer, as set forth in my last Annual Message, and which, in this particular, has not had its correctness questioned even by the Joint Committee, states that there had been, of new bonds, issued, to October 31, 1871.....\$9,514,000 00

Less in hands of Financial Agent, to credit of the Sinking
Fund Commission..... 200,000 00

Total\$9,314,000 00

Yet the Joint Committee state that the amount is \$9,514,000, well knowing that the \$200,000 of bonds, to the credit of the Sinking Fund Commission, cannot be sold or disposed of by the Financial Agent.

The Committee also unwarrantably estimate the \$3,773,000, then in use by the Financial Agent as collateral security for loans, as fully and absolutely a part of the actual debt, whereas the fact is, that these bonds are held by the Agent to secure loans that amount, in money, to less than the one-fourth of the face value of the collaterals.

As the Committee have stated, without presenting any evidence upon the point, that they were told that "the Financial Board of the State have recommended the covering up and withholding of the real business transactions of the Agency," I desire to say that the Board have not, to my knowledge, given any instructions to the Agent that would warrant a refusal, on his part, to submit the transactions of his office to a duly authorized investigation. I certainly have not been privy to such instructions, as the following facts will show :

In the month of October last, I visited New York, for the purpose of securing a change in our Financial Agency. I employed and consulted Judge Barrett, an eminent lawyer of that city, and laid before him the facts in regard to the management of our finances by the Financial Agent, with the view to legal proceedings to secure a settlement with the Agent. Judge Barrett advised me not to go into Court, unless abso-

lutely necessary, as the State would sacrifice less by an amicable settlement.

In the meantime, Colonel J. B. Palmer, President of the Central National Bank, of this city, Major W. B. Gulick, Cashier of the Carolina National Bank, and Mr. Southern, also of this city, had been earnestly at work to arrange for the transfer of the Financial Agency into the hands of a prominent and wealthy institution, the Union Trust Company, of New York city. In the latter part of October this arrangement seemed to be perfected. The Executive Committee of that institution invited the Attorney General (Mr. Chamberlain), the State Treasurer (Mr. Parker) and myself to meet them in their banking house, for the purpose of making a full and clear statement as to our true financial condition, which request was complied with, and the statement made there was substantially the statement as published by the State Treasurer. After two or three days intervening, we were notified that they would accept the Agency on the very reasonable condition that all securities which had been printed should be placed in their hands for safe keeping, and that no bonds should be issued except through them, if, in future, there was to be any change in the character of our securities.

On the night of the 6th of November, Mr. Wesley, representing the Union Trust Company, Mr. Kimpton, Judge Porter, his attorney, General J. B. Dennis of the Investigating Committee, C. C. Bowen, Col. J. J. Patterson, Col. J. B. Palmer and Mr. Southern, met me for the purpose of effecting a final arrangement for the transfer of the Financial Agency. This meeting was in consequence of my having determined to start for home that evening. The arrangements, as I supposed, having been made with the concurrence, and to the great satisfaction, of all parties interested, and, there not being time to draw up the papers necessary for the transfer of the Agency and the bonds in the hands of the American Bank Note Company, I signed, in blank, two papers, and placed them in the hands of Col. Palmer, a gentleman in whose integrity I had the fullest confidence. This doubtless was an affront to the counsel of the Investigating Committee, because I did not entrust them to him, and I will only here remark, that the moneyed men of New York, or the sensible men of this State, would say that I was entrusting my blank signature to an improper person, were I to have placed it in the hands of one who has spent much of his life in the prisons of his country, for his crimes and misdemeanors. I called Col. Patterson to witness the objects for which I placed my blank signature in the hands of Col. Palmer. No man knows better than this person who makes these charges, that the object of transferring the Sterling Bonds to the Union Trust Company, was not for the purpose that he has stated, viz: to place them on the market.

This was requisite, for the double purpose of protecting the Agency from the possibility of any other party putting bonds on the market to their injury, and to insure that the bonds of the State would be kept in a place of perfect security, and in the custody of a corporation known to the whole country as worthy of the highest confidence.

A corporation with the resources and reputation of the Union Trust Company, is an ample guarantee for the safety of anything that may be placed in their care. Therefore, I regard this as a sufficient answer to the nefarious charge of my attempting to place the Sterling Loan Bonds upon the market. If the General Assembly is not satisfied with my explanation of this malicious and unwarranted charge, they can satisfy themselves, by calling upon the parties whose names I have mentioned, to learn whether my statement is correct or not. I left New York City on the 6th of November, under the impression that all these arrangements were perfected, and, on the next day, the transfer would be made to the Union Trust Company, of not only the Financial Agency, but of all securities that had been printed, as Mr. Kimpton had agreed to the arrangement. On the 9th, I received the following telegram from C. C. Bowen :

NEW YORK, 9th November, 1871.

Governor R. K. SCOTT, *Columbia, S. C.* :

Barrett has written Kimpton that he is authorized, on the part of the State, to commence proceedings. Palmer claims to represent you. Such a move would be disastrous. You retained me. I advise you to withdraw all authority from Barrett and Palmer.

Telegraph me immediately, revoking their alleged authority to proceed.

(Signed)

C. C. BOWEN,

9 Nassau Street.

I replied to him, by telegraph, as follows :

COLUMBIA, November 9, 1871.

Hon. C. C. BOWEN,

(*Care of H. H. KIMPTON,*)

No. 9 Nassau Street, New York :

I don't understand what is being done. When I left, thought all was settled, and the Trust Company was to take charge, as agreed, for State.

(Signed)

R. K. SCOTT, Governor.

On the 11th, Colonel Palmer informed me that the arrangements had all fallen through, and requested me to telegraph to Judge Barrett, (he having had an interview with him,) to commence proceedings.

As Mr. C. C. Bowen has found it convenient to allege publicly that the above telegram of his was not forwarded in the terms stated, or for the purpose of obstructing legal proceedings against the Agent, I now invite your attention to the following letter, addressed by the Chairman of the Investigating Committee to the State Treasurer, which is similar in tenor to one delivered to the Financial Agent. The Chairman of the Committee, General J. B. Dennis, a member of the House, states, in a communication hereto annexed, that, by the advice of Mr. C. C. Bowen, the advisory counsel of the Committee, he wrote these letters, which prohibited the Financial Agent from making the exhibit of his books contemplated in the legal procedure then under advisement :

COLUMBIA, S. C., January 6, 1872.

His Excellency R. K. SCOTT, Governor of South Carolina :

GOVERNOR—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of this date, requesting a copy of the orders served by myself, as Chairman of the Joint Special Financial Investigating Committee, upon Hon. Niles G. Parker, Treasurer of South Carolina, and H. H. Kimpton, Esq., Financial Agent of South Carolina, on the 9th of November, 1871, in the City of New York, in reference to the transfer of South Carolina securities, then in their possession; also asking why this course was adopted, and by whose advice. Enclosed please find copy of order served on Hon. Niles G. Parker, which is the same as served upon H. H. Kimpton.

In reply to inquiry as to why such a course was adopted, I will state that certain parties considered the transfer of the securities to the Union Trust Company would be a disadvantage to the State, and, by the advice of Hon. C. C. Bowen, who was employed as attorney for the Investigating Committee, and the only one to whom I could apply for legal advice, I gave the order.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

JOHN B. DENNIS, Chairman.

[This letter, it will be seen, was dated on the very day I sent my telegram.]

NEW YORK, November 9, 1871.

Hon. NILES G. PARKER, Treasurer, State of South Carolina :

SIR—Information having been received by the Committee appointed by the General Assembly of South Carolina to investigate the financial condition of affairs of said State, that certain evil-disposed persons from South Carolina, who are speculating in the securities of that State, are now in this city, aided by certain other parties, also speculators in said

securities, to the detriment of the credit of South Carolina, are trying to get possession of the Financial Agency and the assets belonging to said State, by force and threats. You are, therefore, as one of the Financial Board, and Treasurer of said State, ordered and required by this Committee, that you do not, under penalty of the law, consent or agree that the said Agency, now held by H. H. Kimpton, Esq., of this city, pass into the hands of said speculators; and that, if the said H. H. Kimpton shall resign, you will delay the appointment of any other person as Financial Agent of the State until further notice from this Committee, and that you do not, under any circumstances, allow any of the assets of the State, now in your hands, or which may hereafter come into your possession, to be turned over or pass into the possession of any other parties, until the said H. H. Kimpton shall have resigned or been removed by the Financial Board or Legislature of South Carolina, and his successor duly appointed and qualified.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

JOHN B. DENNIS,
Chairman Committee.

In further proof of the bold falsehood that has been uttered on this subject by my chief accuser in the House, I submit the following communication from Mr. H. H. Kimpton, Financial Agent:

COLUMBIA, S. C., January 6th, 1872.

To His Excellency ROBERT K. SCOTT, *Governor*:

SIR—Your letter of this date is received, requesting me “to furnish you with a copy of an order served on me by the Chairman of the Joint Special Investigating Committee, on or about the 9th November, 1871, in the city of New York, directing me to refuse to turn over any of the bonds or other property of the State controlled by me, as Financial Agent, to any person or persons.”

I have the honor to reply that such an order, which is now in my possession in New York, was served on me, at my office, by the Chairman of the Committee, in the presence of the Committee, and their counsel, Hon. C. C. Bowen.

I was a creditor in possession, and could not do otherwise than insist upon full settlement of the loans which I had negotiated for the State; but I was then anxious, and have been at all times, to close my responsibility as Financial Agent of the State.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

H. H. KIMPTON,
Financial Agent.

The following is my telegram to Judge Barrett:

COLUMBIA, 11th November, 1871.

GEORGE C. BARRETT, Attorney, No. 20 Nassau St., New York:

Unless Kimpton resigns and settles, as was agreed before I left, you will institute proceedings in accordance with conversation with you.

(Signed)

R. K. SCOTT, Governor.

I can only infer that, after leaving New York, Bowen had become, also, the legal adviser of Mr. Kimpton, as well as of the Committee. These telegrams explain themselves. I do not deem it necessary to enter into any argument to convince the General Assembly that my statement is correct. If the General Assembly has any doubts of the correctness of these telegrams, they can at once have them verified by applying to the telegraph office, as I have no fear of the ability of any of my accusers, to secure, by corruption, a change or *erasure of any of these documents*, now in the hands of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and the substitution of any other names therein.

Certainly these facts, which are all of record, and speak for themselves, do not tend to warrant the imputation cast upon me by the author of the Joint Report, and by his coadjutor and forerunner in the House (Mr. C. C. Bowen), that I have endeavored to screen and cover up the transactions of the Financial Agent, and that he and I have been in criminal copartnership to plunder the State, by an illegal or improvident use of its securities, for private gain.

In reference to what is alleged by the Committee, that the bulk of the new bonds outstanding was unnecessarily issued, I would simply say that it is well known to every member of the General Assembly that, during the past three years, the authorized expenditures of the State have far exceeded its actual income from taxation. This being true, I would ask, in the name of common sense, where was the deficiency to come from? Do the members of the General Assembly believe that we can expend a million and a half dollars (\$1,500,000) a year, and pay it with an income of a million? This being evidently impossible, it is plain that the money to meet the deficiency was received from some source other than taxation. The deficiency in the collection of taxes amounted, in three years, to \$1,137,000. One million (1,000,000) dollars was expended before a single cent was collected, in order to meet the current expenses of the State Government. One million dollars (\$1,000,000) to pay interest accumulated on the public debt (old) up to July 1, 1869; five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to redeem Bills Receivable, and seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) for the Land Commission. These sums aggregate four millions, three hundred and thirty-

seven thousand (4,337,000) dollars in money actually raised and expended, in addition to the money derived from taxes. More than half of this sum was consumed in meeting debts contracted before the organization of the present State Government.

THE BONDED DEBT OF THE STATE.

The Joint Report, (page 267,) with its well established disregard for facts, and singular rashness in the use, or abuse, of figures, for a purpose that will be shown hereafter, places the bonded debt of the State at \$29,158,914.47.

This is so bold and monstrous an exaggeration, that it would be perfectly astounding, if the mind of the reader of the report had not been prepared, by previous disclosures of its untruthfulness, to meet, without surprise, any degree of mendacity in its closing pages. This statement puts the actual bonded debt at a figure which is \$13,391,005.49 in excess of what it can possibly be, even though every bond ever placed in the hands of the Financial Agent, and not now in the Treasury, should become a total loss to the State. This enormous figure is reached by classing, as a part of the debt, the six millions (\$6,000,000) of Sterling Loan Bonds now in the State Treasury, \$6,787,608.20 of railroad bonds, on which the State appears only as an endorser, paying no interest, and only liable for any deficiency after all the property of the roads, (which have ample assets,) shall have been exhausted. In proof that these endorsements do not necessarily make a part of the State debt, I refer to the fact that, within the past year, the South Carolina Railroad has provided for and liquidated its bonds that were endorsed by the State, amounting to \$2,093,312.40.

But the amount of endorsed bonds, given above by the Committee, is subject to a reduction of \$4,000,000, that being the portion endorsed for the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, and which have never been put upon the market, and have, therefore, not yet formed a part of even the contingent liability.

In addition to these remote and purely contingent liabilities, the Committee have improperly embraced the following items, which, at present, form no part of the actual debt, in order to make up an astounding aggregate, namely :

Bonds held by Sinking Fund Commission.....	\$200,000
Bonds due July 1, 1871, and redeemed and cancelled, and now in Treasury.....	212,000

There should be further deducted the College land scrip bonds, stated at \$200,000, and now held in trust by the Financial Agent, as those bonds,

after having been computed by the Committee in their general debt statement, were again added, as if they were an additional issue.

Making these deductions, which are clearly proper, even according to the figures given in the Committee's own report, and admitting that every bond of the State, delivered to the Financial Agent, is lost to the State, or must be redeemed at its face value, the total bonded debt is shown, by this very report, divested of all exaggerations, to be \$15,759,306.27, or \$8,602.71 less than is set forth in the Treasurer's exhibit, as given in my last Annual Message. And here I wish it to be distinctly stated and understood, that of the \$3,200,000 purchased or borrowed by the issue of bonds, \$2,200,000 were for the payment of debts contracted under former administrations, and were left as a burden on this.

In closing this branch of my Message, I desire that, on the subject of the State debt and the alleged over-issue of bonds, you will compare the statement of the Joint Report with that made by the Chairman and a member of the Joint Committee, in their Special Report to the House, on the 20th day of December, three days before the Joint Report was laid before the General Assembly. The Special Report was made by gentlemen who were certainly equal in character and intelligence to any others on the Committee, and had equal facilities for ascertaining the facts, and no motive, to my knowledge, for misstating them. These gentlemen state, on page 6 of their Special Report, the bonded debt as follows:

"Loan to redeem bills of Bank of the State.....	\$ 1,509,000 00
Loan to redeem Bills Receivable of South Carolina.....	500,000 00
Loan to pay interest on public debt.....	1,000,000 00
Loan for conversion of State securities.....	8,200,000 00
Loan for relief of the Treasury.....	1,000,000 00
Act approved August 26, 1868.....	1,000,000 00
Act approved March 27, 1869.....	200,000 00
Act approved March 1, 1870.....	500,000 00
Sterling Funded Debt.....	6,000,000 00
Registered certificates of stock.....	2,550,000 00
Total.....	<u>\$22,540,000 00</u>

The above bonds your Committee find, upon examination, accounted for as follows:

In office of State Treasurer: Sterling Loan.....	\$ 6,000,000 00
Conversion bonds.....	473,500 00
Relief of Treasury.....	101,000 00
Payment interest public debt.....	50,000 00
Redeem bills Bank of State..	331,000 00
Conversion stock.....	2,117,300 00

Cancelled and destroyed :

Bonds for payment of interest on public debt.....	500,000 00
Bonds, conversion.....	501,000 00

Issued at State Treasury :

Bonds for conversion.....	1,260,500 00
Bonds to redeem bills Bank of the State.....	1,259,005 00
Conversion stock.....	432,700 00

Making a total of.....\$13,026,000 00

Which amount, deducted from the total amount printed,
leaves a balance of.....\$ 9,514,000 00

Also, deduct bonds passed to the credit of the Sinking
Fund Commission..... 200,000 00

\$9,314,000 00

To which add the debt known as the old bonded, or ante-
war debt..... 6,453,908 98

Covers a total of.....\$15,767,908 98

Your Committee, after a careful and thorough examination, are fully convinced that the entire bonded debt of the State of South Carolina is \$15,767,908.98, and has been created in accordance with the several Acts authorizing the issuing of State securities. Your Committee are of the opinion that there has been no over-issue of State bonds, for the reason that no Act of the General Assembly limited the amount to be issued. The only Act containing a limitation of any kind, is the Act of March 26, 1869, and that contains a limitation as to time only in which loans could be negotiated.

“Your Committee have obtained no evidence that the terms of that Act have been violated. The limit fixed by that Act for the negotiation of loans expired August 26, 1870, and while bonds have been issued since that date, they were to cover loans negotiated previous to the expiration of the twenty-four months specified in the Act.”

THE ENROLLMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF THE MILITIA, AND THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN ARMED FORCE.

Under this caption, the Committee are pleased to state, on page 13 of their report, that the militia are entirely without organization, and, in

order to bring the Governor into contempt, and to degrade the National Guard of the State, they sneeringly term it "Scott's militia," and allege that it consists of a retinue of personal favorites or hirelings of mine, and impliedly assert that the officers and soldiers were paid by me, for political purposes, out of money in the Treasury, "the same pay and allowances given to officers and soldiers of the same grade in the army of the United States." They also positively allege that the election of 1870, in this State, was, in part, carried for the Republican party by such illegal use of the militia and the public money.

These statements, which are known to the General Assembly to be infamously false, could only have sprung from a mind desperately bent upon perverting the truth, and ignominiously insensible to the shame of exposure.

In reply to the statement that the militia are entirely without organization or equipments, I ask your attention to the following facts, which are attested by the records now on file in office of the Adjutant General :

There are now organized and, in great part, well equipped, fourteen (14) regiments of infantry, constituting four (4) brigades of the National Guard, State of South Carolina. In addition to these, one company of cavalry has been duly organized and enrolled. There have been issued to the National Guard 7,845 stands of arms, all improved breech-loading rifles. Of the number of arms originally issued, 3,167 were forcibly taken from members of the militia, at their homes, in the up-country, by bands of Ku Klux. Of the arms so seized and taken away, 1,700 only had been recovered by the State up to October 31, 1871, leaving a balance of 1,467 rifles lost or unaccounted for. Four thousand six hundred and seventy-eight improved rifles are now in the hands of the organized militia.

With this statement of facts, that defy successful contradiction, I ask the General Assembly to judge how far this partisan rehash of base libels from opposition newspapers is entitled to respect or credit, even though it may be cunningly dressed up as a legislative document, and spread over three hundred printed pages.

THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE LAND SCRIP.

In answer to the implied allegations of the Committee, that I have been derelict in my duty in relation to the Agricultural College Land Scrip, I assert that I have discharged every duty imposed upon me by law in regard to the same. The Act of December 10, 1868, which is the only law upon the subject enacted by the General Assembly, pro-

vides (Section 3) that "the Governor, Secretary and Attorney General of State shall be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to receive, sell, and the Attorney General shall assign, at such times, and upon such terms, as they may deem best for the interests of South Carolina, or as the General Assembly may hereafter, by law, direct, the whole or any part of the scrip or land warrants issued, or to be issued, to this State, by virtue of the Act of Congress referred to in the first Section of this Act."

It will be perceived that the only power or authority that I had in the premises was conferred upon me jointly with the Secretary of State and the Attorney General. The Board thus constituted were authorized, in Section 5 of the Act above quoted, to "perform and discharge any of the acts, trusts or duties authorized, directed or conferred herein by any Agent by them selected and appointed."

Pursuant to this authority, the Board designated the Financial Agent of the State, in New York city, as the most proper "agent" to sell the scrip. The Financial Agent reported the sale of the scrip at seventy-two and a-half cents per acre, which, I have no doubt, was the price actually received for it.

The Attorney General assigned it, as he was empowered to do, by the law. I never saw the land scrip. I do not know, and never heard of, the purchaser, except through the public prints. My whole knowledge upon the subject was received from the Financial Agent, who reports that he invested the proceeds, according to law, in six per cent. bonds of this State, which bonds, amounting to \$191,800, he now holds "for the purposes directed in the Acts of Congress." Thus falls another scandalous and false charge, which this Committee have diligently circulated against me. If the General Assembly have the slightest doubt of the full and complete correctness of this statement, let them question the Financial Agent and Attorney General, on oath, as to the facts in the premises, within their knowledge.

THE LAND COMMISSION.

I deem a simple statement of facts, known to every member of the Land Commission Advisory Board, a sufficient vindication of my action in connection therewith. The Act of March 27, 1869, to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, declares, in Section 3: "That the Governor, Comptroller General, State Treasurer, Secretary of State and Attorney General are hereby declared to be an Advisory Board to the Land Commissioner; and said Commissioner shall, in all the duties imposed upon him by the provisions of this Act, be governed by their instructions and advice." It will thus be seen that the law vested in me

one-fifth of the joint power of the Board. This was represented by my one vote; and to that extent, and no further, am I responsible for the administration of the Land Commission. At the session of 1868-'69 the first appropriation, amounting to \$200,000, was made for the purposes prescribed in said Act. Up to about the first of November, 1869, expenditures were made for lands to the amount of fifty or sixty thousand dollars. To that date the purchases had my approval. Subsequently, I insisted that, before purchasing, the Land Commissioner should inspect, in person, each tract of land offered, instead of depending upon the representations of the proposed seller. This demand not having been complied with, I declined to give my assent to any further purchases. On the first of March, 1870, a new Land Commissioner was appointed. The new Commissioner, not having received the records of his office until the following May, all purchases ceased in the interim. I then ascertained, for the first time, from the statement of his predecessor, that of the appropriations, amounting to \$700,000, about \$500,000 had already been expended, under the first Commissioner. The remainder of the appropriation was expended under the second Land Commissioner.

Many of the purchases of land having been severely criticised, and grave charges of irregularities in the administration of the office of Land Commissioner being current, I applied, in the month of May, 1870, to an eminent lawyer of this city, Colonel J. D. Pope, to initiate legal proceedings for the purpose of bringing the alleged fraudulent transactions of the Land Commissioner under review in the Courts. Colonel Pope stated, in a written opinion, which he furnished me, that after a thorough investigation of the law and the facts in the premises, he was satisfied that great irregularities had been practiced to the injury of the State, but that the necessary legal proofs of the malfeasance alleged could be furnished only by those who sold the lands, and by others interested in effecting such sales, and who profited by them, and they were not likely to appear as witnesses and criminate themselves. Colonel Pope also gave it as his opinion, that the law itself was defective in leaving open a wide door to fraud, and that, until additional legislation was had, I had no power to correct the evils complained of. In my Annual Message, of 1870, I brought this matter to the attention of the General Assembly, and used the following language:

“Whatever abuses have characterized this agency, and paralyzed its usefulness, are mainly traceable to its organization, by which its authority was deligated to five Commissioners; and by its divided responsibility, in constituting any three of them, whose assent was obtained, either individually or in the aggregate, a quorum to decide all questions brought before them.”

Among the many purchases that have recently been subjected to severe criticism, I approved two, which are alleged, with some justice, to have been sold at a rate far above their true market value. These two purchases are situated in the Counties of Charleston and Beaufort. The men who sold them, and thus imposed upon the State poor lands, at an exorbitant price, are now among the most prominent assailants of the Advisory Board. They are Mr. W. J. Whipper, and Mr. Timothy Hurley, members of the House. In both these cases, I refused to give my assent to the purchase, until the Land Commissioner, Hon. R. C. DeLarge, had first inspected the lands in person, and reported favorably on their purchase. I mention these indisputable facts, to show that I did endeavor to throw around every purchase of lands, to which I gave my approval, all safeguards, in the interest of the State.

THE STATE ARMS.

The Joint Report of the Committee imputes to me the responsibility for the expenditure for arms for the State, and, to meet their false imputation, I propose to state simply the real facts.

By the Act of March 16, 1869, the Governor was empowered to purchase, for the use of the State, 2,000 stands of arms, of the most improved pattern, with the usual complement of ammunition, providing that a serviceable and satisfactory arm could not be procured from the United States. A serviceable and satisfactory arm could not be procured from the United States Government, and I therefore purchased, through the Adjutant General, who was the proper officer to represent me in the matter, 1,000 stands of Winchester rifles, with the usual complement of ammunition, that being an arm of the most improved pattern, and the one actually contemplated by the General Assembly, in enacting the law, although it was not deemed advisable that I should be restricted to that particular arm. Hence, it will be seen that, so far from violating the law in this particular, I did not exercise the full power that it vested in me. The records of the United States' War Department will show that no arms were transferred to the State, by the National Government, until a year after the purchase of the Winchester rifles, and only after persistent and frequent application, which delay, in the delivery of the quota of arms due the State, compelled the purchase of an improved arm in advance of such delivery.

But the arms, when finally obtained from the General Government, were found not to be of the class termed serviceable, being second-hand Springfield muzzle-loading rifles—far from being a “satisfactory arm.” It became, therefore, necessary to have these arms altered and put in serviceable condition, in order that I might fully arm and equip, if nec-

essary, the force contemplated by the Joint Resolution of February 8, 1869, "authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace." If any additional authority were needed to warrant an expenditure of money to convert the arms received from the Government into serviceable arms, such as impending exigencies in the State seemed to demand, it may be found in the Act of March 16, 1869, requiring the arming and equipment of the militia, and, indeed, the arms were given by the Government of the United States for this special purpose, and nearly every State in the Union has expended money in converting arms so received into improved breech-loaders.

These facts exhibit the grossness of the misrepresentations made by the Committee in their statement, that the arms received by the State from the Federal Government were of the serviceable pattern now in use in the United States army, when, on inquiry, they could have readily learned the fact that the General Government has never furnished any State with their regular service arm.

In reference to the contracts for the alteration of the arms, I would state that they were made by the Adjutant General, who had authority from me to have the arms altered, at the lowest practicable cost. I am not acquainted with, nor have ever seen, to my knowledge, Mr. Pond, the contractor, or any person employed by him to make such alterations. My whole knowledge of the transactions was derived from the report of the Adjutant General.

The payments under these contracts were made direct by the Financial Agent. I have never signed a check for any of the payments for making the alterations of these arms, nor do I know to whom the payments were made.

There can be no doubt that the Adjutant General was the proper person to have attended to this duty, and I cannot be led to believe, from the report of the Committee, that either he or the Financial Agent paid out any more money than was authorized by the contracts; if they have done so, no report has ever been made to the Comptroller General by the Financial Agent of the State, and I have no means of ascertaining, as the Financial Agent is not bound by law to report to the Governor; and, should he attempt to make a charge against the State for money illegitimately paid, the proper mode is to hold the Financial Agent responsible, he being an officer of the State government, and accountable to it for his official acts.

In this connection the Joint Committee recommend that the law authorizing the Governor to pay for the employment of an armed force be repealed.

This recommendation is ostensibly made upon the ground, that the appropriation is virtually unlimited, as the Act in question authorizes

the payment of the force "out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated." It will seem strange to the members of the General Assembly, that such a recommendation, for the reason alleged, should come from the Senator who is the declared author of the Joint Report, for that Senator, but a few days ago, voted to pass over my veto, a Bill, which gave the Clerks of the Senate and House the power to draw upon just such an "unlimited appropriation, in favor of "The Republican Printing Company."

I now propose to show the real object of this report, which is, indeed, "fearfully and wonderfully made."

The report itself gives one of the motives that impelled it, for it recommends, on page 39, that "The Financial Board should be selected by the State Senate from among such persons, not connected with the State Government, as have experience in matters of finance, integrity of character, and a first-class business reputation."

This recommendation, if carried out, would exclude from any voice in the financial management of the State, the House of Representatives, in which originates all appropriations of public money.

It would also surrender the absolute control of our finances to the enemies of free government in South Carolina, who so loudly applaud this report through the Ku Klux press, they having discovered that the true path on which they must move, to avenge their sentenced confederates, will be found in a successful effort to control the Treasury of the State through schemes of this class.

As an additional solution of the purpose of this report, I state the further fact, openly proclaimed by the counsel of the Committee, who was also its forerunner in the House :

Mr. C. C. Bowen, counsel of the Joint Investigating Financial Committee, stated, at the Executive Mansion, on the night of December the 7th, fifteen days before their report was published, that he was "in favor of the General Assembly taking such action upon the debt as would utterly discredit all the bonds, and that a Committee should, at the same time, be appointed, and furnished with money, to *buy up the bonds secretly*, at five or ten cents on the dollar."

This declaration was made in the presence of not less than thirty members of the General Assembly, and was denounced by me at the time as infamous.

As an evidence of the mental blindness that great malice often inflicts upon those who cherish it, and in proof that the champions of impeachment do not possess all the intelligence of the House, even if they do claim to embody all its virtue, I mention the fact, that a prominent member of the House has had entered upon the Journal that he cast his "vote to impeach the Governor because *rumor* says there has been a

large over-issue of bonds." The member who gave this hearsay reason for arraigning the Chief Magistrate, on the charge of "high crimes and misdemeanors," is a Commissioner to codify the laws, and is, also, Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means. He should know that, if public "rumor" is to be deemed evidence of guilt, no prominent Republican, in this State, would be adjudged innocent, and the member himself would be quickly escorted through the door of the Penitentiary, for his "rumored" taking of bribes, and other corrupt practices in office.

CONCLUSION.

I have thus, fellow-citizens, endeavored to answer, frankly and fully, the charges made against me.

I am fortunate in the characters of my accusers. It sometimes happens that, through evil appearances, an innocent person has a good man for his accuser. In my case, however, the two foremost of my assailants are well known to the criminal records of the country, and now seek, under the garb of the IMPEACHER, to hide the brand of the CONVICT. To your intelligent sense of right, and to the just judgment of all impartial men, I fearlessly confide my vindication.

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

Mr. BOWEN rose to a question of privilege.

Pending his remarks, at the hour of 1:30 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Report of Special Joint Committee, appointed to examine books, &c., of Financial Agent, Treasurer, &c.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the consideration of the Special Order was postponed until the conclusion of the consideration of the Governor's Message.

Mr. BOWEN resumed his remarks.

Mr. HURLEY rose and addressed the House on a question of privilege, and then moved that the further consideration of the Message and Report of the Special Joint Committee be postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, January 15th, at 1 P. M. Agreed to.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. L. Cain) to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Ways and Means was resumed.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, Section 9 was amended by striking out the word "day," and inserting the words "passage thereof."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.
The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

COMMUNICATION.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL,

COLUMBIA, S. C., January 9, 1872.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to inform you that I am just now in receipt of the State Treasurer's Report for October, 1871 ; also, his Annual Report for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1871, and the four Quarterly Reports of Mr. H. H. Kimpton, Financial Agent of South Carolina, the last thereof being to the 30th September, 1871.

As soon as these reports can be entered up, and copied, it will afford me pleasure to place them in possession of the General Assembly.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. L. NEAGLE,

Comptroller General South Carolina.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JAMISON, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Port Royal River Ferry Company, of South Carolina ;

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Sumter County to establish a certain road in said County ;

A Bill to re-charter Combahee Ferry over the Combahee River ;

A Bill authorizing and requiring the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to open a public road from the M. E. Church (Caves) to Halcialdale Church.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back the report of the Senate Committee on Claims, on account of J. M. Allen, and recommended concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the consideration of the report was postponed until to-morrow.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 12.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 8, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table the following Bills from your House :

A Bill to empower the Judges of the Probate Court, in their respective Counties, to issue executions ;

A Bill to declare the rights of common carriers.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,

President of Senate.

Also returned, with concurrence, resolution requesting the Congress of the United States to remove the political disabilities of W. J. Colcock, of Beaufort County.

Also, the following :

A Joint Resolution to relieve R. Vampill, County Treasurer of Marion, from collecting taxes for the year 1868.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to require Circuit Solicitors to attend the sessions of the General Assembly, and to define their duties while so attending.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Grand Council of the Independent Order of United Brethern of South Carolina ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the American Union Literary Club, of Gadsden, Richland County, South Carolina

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. GOGGINS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend Sections 76 and 81 of the charter of the town of Cokesbury.

Mr. WILSON presented the petition of Thomas Crymes, of Anderson County, for removal of political disabilities.

Referred to the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities.

Mr. WILKES presented petitions of sundry citizens of Laurens and Abbeville Counties, praying the creation of a new County, to be called Washington.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for the protection, preservation and propagation of game.

Mr. HURLEY presented the account of Howie & Allen against the House of Representatives.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Randolph Enterprise Association of the city of Charleston.

Mr. HEDGES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Big Bay and Adam's Run Railway Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Island Land Company, of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BRYAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the election of County Treasurers and Auditors.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. YOCOM introduced

A Joint Resolution appointing a commission for the registry of State bonds and stocks.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HOLMES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. L. CAIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts of the County of Aiken.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BARKER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill providing for the replacing of mile-stones and cross-road pointers upon the public highways.

Mr. JONES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, in the city of Charleston.

Mr. ADAMSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the erection of a bridge over the Wateree River.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. GAREY introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the present Land Commissioner do make to this House, by Monday next, 15th instant, a full and complete report of the transactions of his office from the creation of the Land Commission to the present time.

Mr. McDANIELS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Prospect Baptist Church, of Laurens County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Also, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Laurens County, in favor of creating the new County of Washington.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. DERRICK, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Also, presented the Report of the County Commissioners of Lexington County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BYAS introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That, on and after the 20th instant, no more Bills shall be introduced in this House.

Mr. JAMISON presented the account of P. W. Fairly, of Orangeburg County, for *nulla bona* costs.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. HAGOOD gave notice that he will on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce

A Bill adopting and ratifying the codification of the Statute Law of South Carolina.

Mr. J. DAVIS gave notice that he will on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. Doyle, for five days;

Mr. T. A. Davis, for five days.

The House proceeded to the consideration of

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners" was taken up.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 7, was continued.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools" was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. FROST moved to strike out the enacting clause.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

Resolution to declare vacant the seat of J. Banks Lyle was taken up.

The resolution was considered, (Mr. Byas having the floor,) pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a resolution to declare vacant the seat of J. Banks Lyle, of Spartanburg County, the same was resumed.

Mr. BYAS offered the following, as a substitute for the resolution, which, on motion of Mr. JAMISON, was laid on the table :

Resolved, That Mr. J. Banks Lyle receive no pay as a member of this House, until such time as he shall present himself to the Clerk of the House, and receive the certificate for the same.

On the question of adopting the resolution, (by Mr. Kennedy,) the yeas and nays were ordered, in accordance with Article II, Section 15, of the Constitution, resulting as follows :

Whole number of votes cast, 92.

Yeas, 80; nays, 12. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bosemon, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckels, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumter, Tarlton, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White and Yocom.—80.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Crittenden, Derrick, Dusenbury, Hagood, Litchfield, Shanklin, Sullivan, Taylor, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—12.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

We vote "no," upon the resolution to declare vacant the seat of J. Banks Lyle. We could and would have voted for a simple resolution to declare vacant the seat of Mr. Lyle, but could not vote to adopt the preamble to the resolution, which recites that he has rendered "himself an outlaw." We understand the Constitution of the United States to prohibit a sentence of outlawry, and in deference to our obligations to protect and defend that instrument, we could not do otherwise than vote

against a resolution, coupled with a preamble violative of that instrument, as we construe it.

(Signed,)

WARREN D. WILKES,
J. E. HAGOOD,
JOHN WILSON,
G. W. TAYLOR.

Mr. LEE rose to a question of privilege, and requested that he be relieved from serving as a member of the Joint Committee, appointed at the last session, to investigate the affairs of the Land Commission.

Mr. BOWLEY also made the same request.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 1:30 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 2, was continued.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The consideration of the request, that the member from Edgefield (Mr. Lee), and the member from Georgetown, (Mr. Bowley), be excused from serving further as members of Joint Committee to investigate the affairs of the Land Commission, was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion, it was not agreed to.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr GOGGINS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Cokesbury."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. WILKES presented petitions of citizens of Abbeville and Anderson Counties, praying the creation of the new County of Washington.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill for the protection, preservation and propagation of game.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. MYERS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company.

Also, introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That this General Assembly do adjourn *sine die* Wednesday, February 15, 1872.

Mr. LEVY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to renew the charter of Marion Lodge, No. 2, I. O. of O. F., of the city of Charleston.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the People's Savings Institution.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

At the hour of 2 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina."

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Frost) to strike out the enacting clause, was resumed; and on this

Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 16; nays, 76. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bowley, Frost, Gardner, Hedges, Hunter, Mead, Myers, Perry, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—16.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace and Warley —76.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. FORD gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' Mining and Manufacturing Company.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to re-charter the Combahee Ferry over the Combahee River.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. CREWS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate the responsibility of parties holding collaterals as security for loans ;

A Bill to repeal the charter of the town of Laurens.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to the House

A Bill to provide for the sale of the Statutes of the State, and the Decisions of the Supreme Court, published by authority of Joint Resolution.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Legislative Library.

Also,

A concurrent resolution to appoint a Joint Special Committee to investigate, and report upon, the returns made to the State by Phosphate Companies.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the resolution was amended, by striking out the words, "during its present session," and inserting the words, "on or before the first day of February next."

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. A. Webster.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to regulate the granting of divorces.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. YOCOM moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. BOSEMON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 42; nays, 63. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Berry, Briggs, J. Davis, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Gantt, Giles, Hart, Hudson, Humphries, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—42.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, Derrick, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Lee, Levy, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Myers, Nehemias, Perry, Rivers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—63.

The Bill was read the third time, and, on the question of passing the Bill and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. WILKES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 59; nays, 44. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, Derrick, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Lee, Levy, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Myers, Nehemias, Perry, Rivers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—59.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Berry, Briggs, J. Davis, Dusenbury,

Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gantt, Giles, Hart, Hudson, Humphries, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Laug, Litchfield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—44.

A Bill to incorporate the Saxton Riflemen, of the city of Charleston, South Carolina.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to renew the charter of the Pendleton Male Academy.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to change the names of Luta Eugenia Maddox and Ida Matilda Maddox to Luta Eugenia Smith and Ida Matilda Smith, and to confer on them the rights of legitimacy.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act for the better protection of migratory fish.'"

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

A Bill to change the names of Tyrrell Willard and Ida Willard, and to make them the legal heirs of T. J. Jones.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot, in the city of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the I. O. O. F., on certain conditions."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also, an Act to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled "Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace," approved February 8, 1869, together with the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
COLUMBIA, January 8, 1872.

To the President of the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day returned, without my signature:

“An Act to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled ‘Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace,’ ” approved February 8, 1869.

I would feel bound to withhold my approval from this measure, even if there were not many valid reasons against its enactment, for I am satisfied that it has come before me in violation of Section 21, Article 2, of the Constitution, which requires that every Bill shall be read three times, and on three several days, in each House, in order that it may have the force of law. The evidence that has produced this conviction on my mind is purely negative, however, and arises from the fact that I have been assured, by numerous members of the House of Representatives, who have been in their seats continuously, during each day of the session, that no such Bill has had its third reading in that body, to their knowledge.

But, assuming that there has been no irregularity or inadvertence in the premises, this Act ought not to become a law. The exigency that demanded the employment of an armed force in 1869 may, at any time, recur. The danger that invoked this measure has not yet entirely passed.

The United States troops may be withdrawn at any moment from the State; and, in that event, the Executive, should this Act pass, would be left absolutely without any means to meet emergencies demanding instant protection for the life or property of the citizen. The funds placed at my disposal by the Joint Resolution that it is proposed to repeal, have been used providently, and applied efficiently to the purposes contemplated in its enactment. I trust, therefore, that the General Assembly will reconsider their vote upon this Act, and that the Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace will not be repealed.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the consideration of the Bill and Message was made the Special Order for this day, at 2 P. M.

The Senate also sent

A Bill to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also,

A Bill to recharter the ferry over the Combahee River, S. C., known as Combahee Ferry.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 13.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table the following Bills from your House :

A Bill to incorporate the Shiloh Baptist Church, of Richland County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Red Hill Baptist Church, of Richland County ;

A Bill in relation to the safe keeping of the public moneys.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of the Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington County.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to alter sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure, relating to Circuit Courts.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Anderson County, favoring the creation of the new County of Washington.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. BERRY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the formation of Religious, Charitable and Educational Associations," passed and approved February 28, 1870, (page 373, Vol. 14, of the Statutes.)

Mr. LEVY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew the charter of Marion Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. TARLTON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate the issuing of checks on plantations to plantation hands.

Mr. BARKER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to charter the Greenwood and Augusta Railroad Company.

Mr. HUMBERT introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That two thousand copies of the Report of the Joint Special Financial Investigating Committee be printed, for general distribution.

Mr. MOORE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish a public Ferry in Fairfield County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. JONES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, in the County of Charleston

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, presented a petition favoring the passage of a Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, in the County of Charleston.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CRITTENDEN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to reduce the salaries of County Treasurers and County Auditors, and to provide for the election of those officers by the people ;

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the publication of all legal and public notices," passed February 22, 1870.

Mr. TAYLOR, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the per diem and mileage of the members of the General Assembly.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. CREWS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the responsibility of persons holding collaterals as security for loans.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to repeal the charter of the village of Laurensville.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Report of Committee on State House and Grounds, relative to authority for removal of granite from the State House yard.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the report was received as information, and the Committee discharged from the further consideration of the matter.

Mr. JAMISON introduced the following resolution, which was, on motion, immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to inquire into and report to this House, on or before Monday next, by what authority the granite on the east end of the Capitol is being removed from the Capitol, and by whom it is being removed.

The SPEAKER appointed as the Committee, Messrs. Jamison, Littlefield and S. Greene.

Mr. HAGOOD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill adopting and ratifying the Codification of the Statute Law of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. SIMONS introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of three (3) on the part of the House, and ———, on the part of the Senate, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, to inquire of him what has become of the appropriation of forty thousand (40,000) dollars, passed at the regular session of 1870-'71, for the completion of the Lunatic Asylum, and why orders for the same have not been cashed.

Mr. JAMES DAVIS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That on and after Monday, January 15, this House meet at 11 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at pleasure.

Mr. MOBLEY introduced the following resolutions, which were ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Governor's Message and accompanying documents be printed for general distribution.

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the report of the Special Joint Committee, and the Special Message of the Governor, be printed for the use of this House.

Mr. BRIGGS presented the report of the County Commissioners of York County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of Armstrong's Ford Road, in said County;

A Bill to exempt a certain portion of York County from the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate fences," passed December 18, 1827.

Mr. WHITE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to require juries in criminal cases to be kept in charge of the Sheriffs, or their Deputies, until they have rendered their verdicts into Court.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

COMMUNICATION.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL,

COLUMBIA, S. C., January 11, 1872.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to transmit herewith true and exact copies of all reports, estimates, &c., of County Commissioners, which

have been forwarded to this office in accordance with law, a list of the same being enclosed, and the original papers placed on file.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. L. NEAGLE,

Comptroller General.

List of Reports of County Commissioners, &c., Received by Comptroller General, to the 11th of January, 1872, and Forwarded on that Date, to the House of Representatives of South Carolina.

Abbeville—Incomplete. Wanting: Amount of taxes levied and due; amount of borrowed money due; estimate; Treasurer's account.

Anderson—Complete.

Barnwell—Complete.

Beaufort—Complete.

Charleston—No report; letters explaining causes thereof.

Chester—No report.

Chesterfield—Incomplete. Wanting: Report of Commissioners; amount due by County.

Clarendon—No report.

Colleton—Incomplete. Wanting: Report of Commissioners; Treasurer's report; taxes due and unpaid.

Edgefield—Incomplete. Wanting: Treasurer's report; taxes due and unpaid; rate of taxation.

Fairfield—No report.

Georgetown—Incomplete. Wanting: Treasurer's report; taxes due and unpaid; proceedings of Commissioners.

Greenville—Incomplete. Wanting: Treasurer's report; estimate; rate of taxation; taxes due and unpaid; amount due by County, &c.

Horry—Incomplete. Wanting: Estimate: rate of taxation; Treasurer's report.

Kershaw—Incomplete. Wanting: Rates of taxation; taxes due and unpaid; Treasurer's report.

Lancaster—Complete.

Laurens—No report.

Lexington—Incomplete. Wanting: Proceedings of Commissioners.

Marion—Incomplete. Wanting: Proceedings of Commissioners; amount due by County, &c.; taxes due and unpaid.

Marlboro—Incomplete. Wanting: Proceedings of Commissioners; rate of taxation.

Newberry—No report.

Oconee—Incomplete. Wanting: Proceedings of Commissioners; report of Treasurer.

Orangeburg—Incomplete. Wanting: Treasurer's report; amount due County, &c.; rate of taxation necessary.

Pickens—Incomplete. Wanting: Amount of taxes due and unpaid; estimate; amount due from County.

Richland—Complete.

Spartanburg—Incomplete. Wanting: Estimate; rate of taxation necessary.

Sumter—No report.

Union—No report.

Williamsburg—No report.

York—Complete.

(Signed) J. L. NEAGLE, Comptroller General.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under order of General Ed. R. S. Canby, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the following additional Sections were added to the Bill, and Section 5 of the original Bill changed to Section 7:

"SEC. 5. That all deeds of conveyance heretofore executed and delivered by the Sheriffs of the different Counties, or any of them, under the Act providing for the redemption of lands sold under the orders of General Canby, approved the 9th day of March, A. D. 1871, in which the application was made therefor, within the time limited by that Act, be, and the same is hereby, ratified and confirmed."

"SEC. 6. That the Sheriffs who may have received taxes, interest and penalties in the redemption of lands, as by that Act provided, are hereby required to turn the same over to their respective County Treasurers, to be disposed of by them as other taxes, and to parcel out the costs received by them to the officers to whom they severally belong."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to authorize the Probate Judges to perform certain duties performed by Commissioners in Equity, as defined on the 1st day of January, 1869, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Sumter County to establish a certain road in said County, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, Section 4 was amended, by

prefixing to the Section the words "That for the purpose of building this road."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Council of the Independent Order of United Brethren, of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr WHIPPER, Section 1 was amended, by striking out the name "W. B. Myers," and inserting in lieu the name "Jas. L. Jamison." Also, by inserting after the name "W. H. Jones" the name "Junius S. Mobley."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to designate the time and place where and when sales of real and personal property, or any interest therein, lying on the main land of Beaufort County, shall be made, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 2 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Consideration of the Message of His Excellency the Governor, returning, without approval, an Act to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled a "Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace," approved February 8, 1869.

On the question, "Shall the Act become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?"

Mr. LEE called the previous question, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. FROST called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 62; nays, 27. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Harris, Hart, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, McDanniels, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—62.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Farr,

Ford, Frost, Gantt, Samuel Greene, Hunter, Lloyd, Miles, Mobley, Myers, Nehemias, Perry, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—27.

On the main question, in accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Article 3, of the Constitution, the yeas and nays were ordered, resulting as follows :

Yeas, 23 ; nays, 75. So the House refused to pass the Act.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bowen, Briggs, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Frost, Glover, Hunter, Hurley, Miles, Perry, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—23.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliot, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—75.

The Act was returned to the Senate with a message.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

We voted “yes,” on the question, “Shall an Act to repeal a Joint Resolution entitled ‘A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to employ an armed force for the preservation of the peace,’ become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?” for the following reasons :

1st. Because we hold that none of the reasons adduced by the Governor, for refusing to sign said Act, are cogent. He says : “I feel bound to withhold my approval from this measure,” because “I am satisfied it has come before me in violation of Section 21, Article II, of the Constitution, which requires that every Bill be read three times,” &c. The confirmed Journal of the House, which proves as follows: That said Act received its first reading, in that body, on the 11th ultimo, its second reading on the 15th, and its third reading on the 16th, clearly refutes the proposition laid down, and removes from the Speaker the reflection cast on him in the implication that he attested, at its ratification, by his signature, the passage of an Act by the branch of the General

Assembly over which he presided, and on the Clerk, in that he signed a certificate to the same effect, which did not pass.

2nd. He assumes: "The exigency that demanded an armed force in 1869 may at any time recur."

No exigency can exist greater than the condition of affairs in the State subsequent to the passage of the Joint Resolution sought to be repealed, prior to the interposition of the strong arm of the United States Government, contrary to the negative opposition of those in position to demand its aid, which condition was murder and rapine in many Counties, to an extent sufficient to prevent many members of this House from returning to their hearths and firesides during the interim of the present and last session of the Legislature, under which no action was taken by the Governor. who, on the other hand, withdrew from the possession of Republicans the arms given them for their protection, under another Act, and thereby left them to the mercy of the mob, the consequence of which was that seventeen persons were murdered during the twenty-four hours afterwards, and who now seeks to retain the power conferred on the plea that the exercise of such power *may* yet be necessary.

3rd. Because, by apparently preconcerted action, the *gag*, commonly known as the previous question, was applied, and those desirous of stating their reasons against sustaining the veto were prevented because of the knowledge of the existence of a transcript of public records in the hands of one whose intention it was to place it in the possession of the House, and thereby show that the power to draw the money of the State from the Treasury under the Joint Resolution sought to be repealed was 'prostituted, and the power to protect its citizens, especially Republicans, as they only needed protection, was left unexercised.

(Signed)

F. H. FROST,
W. J. WHIPPER,
B. G. YOCOM,
C. C. BOWEN,
TIMOTHY HURLEY.

The consideration of the Bill previously before the House was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr Whipper) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill was resumed, and agreed to.

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer, was taken up.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 2, was continued.

Section 13 was read the second time.

Mr. JAMISON moved that the further consideration of the Bill be postponed, and made the Special Order for February 5, 1872. Agreed to.

Report of Committee on Claims on the account of J. M. Allen, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and the account ordered to be returned to the Senate.

A Bill to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and of jurors and witnesses, in Courts of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, further consideration was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 2:55 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of debt;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners."

Also,

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina,'" approved March 6, 1871.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back the report (favorable) of the Senate Committee on Claims on account of A. Feininger, and recommended concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also, submitted the following:

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the accounts of S. H. Cochran, James F. Gilbert, Philip G. Hampton, Henry M. Winns, Elizabeth A. McCurry and Sarah J. Beachaurs, for teaching beneficiaries in Abbeville County; also, William H. Haynie, for teaching beneficiaries in Anderson County; J. M. C. Tharin, for teaching beneficiaries in Colleton County; John T. Copeland and Miss Mary B. Hammonds, for teaching school in Lancaster County; S. R. Mellichamp, for teaching school in Orangeburg County; S. Lancaster and J. C. Golightly, for teaching beneficiaries in Spartanburg County; and Isaac Epps, for teaching school in Williamsburg County, beg leave to report, that they have examined the same, recommend that they be returned to the applicants, to be approved by the proper authorities, and be paid out of the County school fund.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, reported back report (favorable) of Senate Committee on Claims on account of E. R. Stokes, and recommended concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. N. HAYNE, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back accounts of Carolina Printing Company, Howie & Allen, H. Solomons, I. Sulzbacher, W. T. Lemhardt, Joseph Crews, John Williams and others, and recommended that the same be paid.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious In-

stitutions, reported back a Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Prospect Baptist Church, of Laurens County, South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back a Bill (favorable) requiring all bonds and stocks of the State to be registered, with the following amendments:

On the third line of Section 1, after the word "stocks," insert the words, "coupons and other evidences of indebtedness."

On the seventh line of Section 1, strike out the words "State Treasurer," and insert "Comptroller General."

On the sixth line of Section 3, insert, after the word "Charleston," the word "Baltimore."

Strike out the last three lines of Section 3, and insert:

"That the sum of one thousand dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated to pay for the said advertising, providing that so much be necessary."

Add:

"SEC. 4. Any violation of this Act shall be considered a misdemeanor, and punishable by fine and imprisonment not to exceed two years in the Penitentiary, and a fine of \$5,000, or both, at the discretion of the Court."

Also,

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken, with amendment to strike out Section 3.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported on a concurrent resolution to appoint a Committee to examine into the sale of the Blue Ridge Railroad stock owned by the State, and to provide for the recovery of the same, by a Joint Resolution to appoint a Committee to examine into the sale of the Blue Ridge Railroad stock owned by the State, and to provide for the recovery of the same.

Read the first time, and ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. TALBERT presented petitions favoring the creation of a new County from portions of Abbeville, Edgefield, Laurens, and Newberry Counties.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. E. CAIN introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Whereas, a Rule of the House now exists requiring one day's notice to be given before the introduction of Bills, &c. ; and, whereas, to expedite business, it would be advantageous to have said Rule rescinded ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That on and after to-day the said Rule be, and the same is hereby, rescinded.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the payment of salaries of County School Teachers.

Mr. BERRY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the formation of Religious, Charitable and Educational Associations."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BOSEMON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry Company, of Charleston.

Mr. HUMBERT introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be, and he is hereby, requested, within three days from the passage of this resolution, to re-organize the various Standing Committees of the House, and to announce such re-organization to the House.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Darlington Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of S. C.

Mr. BARKER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the replacing of mile-stones and cross-road pointers upon the public highways.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. MOORE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, of Fairfield County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. SMART gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for agricultural purposes."

Mr. MOORE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Wateree Presbyterian Church, of Fairfield County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. CRITTENDEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the publication of all legal and public notices."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Printing.

A Bill to reduce the salaries of County Treasurers and County Auditors, and to give the election of said officers to the people.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. COUSART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners to open a public road in the County of Lancaster.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Trial Justices."

Mr. CORWIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to recharter the town of Frog Level, and change the name of the same to Enterprise.

Also, presented the account of Anthony Brown, for boarding horses of the Constabulary force.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the payment of the claim of Henry Ware & Son.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HENDERSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Newberry.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Committee on Privileges and Elections be, and they are hereby, directed to report upon a Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the next general election, and the manner of conducting the same," on or before January 20, 1872.

Mr. WALLACE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to have an annual inspection of scales, weights and measures.

Mr. JAMISON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to change the election law.

Mr. REEDISH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. GOODSON gave notice that on Monday, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill requiring the County Commissioners of each and every County in the State to report to the Circuit Court of their respective Counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. RAMSAY introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to report, as soon as practicable, a Bill relative to the fraudulent sale of lands.

Mr. FROST gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Brotherly Association, of Charleston.

Mr. BRIGGS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of Armstrong's Ford Road, in said County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to exempt a certain portion of York County from the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate fences," passed December 18, 1827.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. HURLEY introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the employment of legal counsel for the prosecution of persons engaged in land swindles.

Read the first time, and, on motion of Mr. JAMISON, referred to the Committee on Public Lands, with instructions to report on Tuesday next.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

Resolution that, on and after January 15th, the House meet at 11 A. M., and adjourn at pleasure, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the resolution was indefinitely postponed.

Resolution that the General Assembly adjourn *sine die* Wednesday, February 15, 1872, was taken up.

Mr. KEITH moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

Mr. JAMISON moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

On this, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 57; nays, 38. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Andell, Bass, Bowley, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, Jas. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, Hart, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—57.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Farr, Frost, Gantt, Glover, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hurley, Jervey, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—38.

At the hour of 1:30 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

A Bill to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and of jurors and witnesses, in Courts of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to re-arrange the Sections of the Bill.

Concurrent resolution that a Special Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor to make inquiries concerning the appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum, was taken up.

The resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. JAMISON moved to reconsider the vote whereby a Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer, was made the Special Order for February 5.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the consideration of the motion was made the Special Order for Monday, January 15, at 2:30 P. M.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved that, when the House adjourns, it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

On this, Mr. MYERS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 32 ; nays, 48. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Boston, Bowley, Byas, Corwin, Dennis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Harris, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, Sumpter and W. M. Thomas.—32.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Briggs, L. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Ford, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, Hart, Henderson, Holmes, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—48.

On motion of Mr. KEITH, at 2:20 P. M., the House adjourned till tomorrow at 12 M.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably on

A Bill adopting and ratifying the Codification of the Statute Laws of South Carolina;

Also,

A Bill to alter sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the reports were laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. O'CONNELL, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported (unfavorably) on the following:

A Bill to repeal the charter of the Goose Creek Bridge, and to make the same a public highway;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways;"

A Bill to authorize the Commissioners of Charleston County to place a flat at Bonneau Ferry;

A Bill to appoint a General Inspector of Bridges and Trestleworks, in the State of South Carolina;

A Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to establish a road from Flowery Gap to Blackville;

A Bill to establish a public road from Lauhon's Bridge, on Bear Creek, to Ridgeway;

Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Anderson County to alter the time for performing labor on the roads therein, during the year 1871;

A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and the keeping in repair of public highways and roads;"

A Bill to compel the County Commissioners of Edgefield and Newberry Counties to build a bridge across the Saluda River, at Chappel's Ferry.

Also, reported (favorably) on the following:

A Bill to authorize the building of a bridge to connect the North and South Edisto Islands;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish certain Roads, Bridges and Ferries, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted;"

A Bill to establish a causeway over Big Saltkehatchie Swamp, at Walnut Point, connecting the Counties of Colleton and Beaufort;

A Bill to declare public a certain road in the County of Orangeburg;

A Bill to renew the charter of Peay's Ferry, over Wateree River.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the reports were laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported back a Bill to incorporate the Broad River Bridge Company, with a recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, reported back the petition of R. L. Crook, for payment of \$287 due him for building a bridge over Fishing Creek, in Chester County, with a recommendation that it be referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, reported back a petition from citizens of Lexington County, for the opening of a certain road, with a recommendation that it be not granted.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. GARDNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported (favorably) on a Bill to incorporate the Mishaw Zouaves, of Charleston, S. C.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BRIGGS, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported back a Bill to define and provide for estrays, and to repeal sundry Acts in reference to fences, and recommended the adoption of the following amendments as Sections 26 and 27 of the Bill:

"SEC. 26. That at the next general election, to wit, on the _____ day of October, 1872, it shall be left to the decision of the voters of each County, respectively, in the State aforesaid, to decide whether or not any and all Sections of this Act shall be carried into effect. The

tenor of this Act to bear upon and have full force and operation in such Counties in which the voters thereof shall have decided in its favor.

"SEC. 27. And it is hereby expressly provided that if any cattle or stock of any kind, belonging to any person residing within one County, shall be found estray in any other County in the State that may not have acted upon and accepted the provisions of this Act, then the person or persons on whose land or premises the said cattle or stock of any kind is estray, shall have redress, under the law, for damages, as provided for in Section 5 of this Act."

On motion of Mr. LEE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned a concurrent resolution relative to election of Associate Justices of Supreme Court and Circuit Judges, amended by striking out "Monday, January 15, 1872," and inserting "Thursday, January 18."

On motion of Mr. LEE, the amendment was concurred in, and a message sent to the Senate accordingly.

Also, sent

A Bill further to declare the jurisdiction of Trial Justices.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, sent

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Also,

A Bill to punish persons engaged in the business of lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also,

A Bill to provide for the protection and preservation of useful animals.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, the following

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 14.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that Messrs. Smalls and Maxwell have been appointed Committee on the part of the

Senate, to act with Committee on the part of your House, pursuant to concurrent resolution to appoint a Joint Special Committee to investigate and report upon returns made to the State by phosphate companies.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. E. CAIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the payment of the salaries of County School Teachers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, S. C.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Randolph Enterprise Association, of Charleston, S. C.

Mr. FORD, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' Mining and Manufacturing Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

Mr. BOSEMON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry, of Charleston, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HUNTER introduced the following resolution, which, on motion, was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to report on the Bill to define and punish lotteries, on Monday next, January 15.

Mr. HOLMES gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the election of Justices of the Peace and Constables in the Counties of this State.

Mr. TARLTON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the issuing of checks by planters to employees on plantations.

The Bill was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. BARKER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to charter the Greenwood and Augusta Railroad Company.
Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also,

A Joint Resolution to pay Hon. Wm. M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, for holding Court in the Second Circuit.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill limiting the term of office of Notaries Public.

Mr. SMART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for agricultural purposes."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. McDANIELS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Mt. Bethel Church, in the County of Laurens;

Also,

A Bill to establish a certain road in Laurens County.

Mr. DERRICK presented petition from certain citizens of Lexington County, for the establishment of a road in said County.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. SIMONS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution to make appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. THOMPSON presented petition of Mrs. Agnes M. Walker, administratrix of the late Geo. E. Walker, for payment of claim against State University.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to change the name of Bowen McFadden to that of Bowen McKnight.

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Union County to construct a public highway in said County.

Mr. JERVEY presented the claim of Wm. Gregg, of Charleston County, for property applied to State uses.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

Concurrent resolution (by Mr. Bowen) requesting report from State Financial Board was taken up.

The resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. BYAS moved to adjourn.

On this, Mr. MYERS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 49 ; nays, 41. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Byas, Cousart, Crews, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, S. Greene, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Lee, Logan, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, White and Wilkes—49.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Farr, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Jervey, Lang, Milton, Nerland, Nuckles, Shanklin, Simons, Small, R. M. Smith, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom—41.

So the House, at 1 P. M., adjourn till pe Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back a Bill (favorable) to abolish the office of Land Commissioner; and devolve the duties of said office on the Secretary of State, with amendment to strike out the words "from and after its passage," and insert "on and after September 30, 1872."

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, on a Senate and House Bills to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot in the city of Columbia to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the I. O. O. F., on certain conditions," and recommended that the House Bill be laid on the table, and that the Senate Bill be ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

The Senate Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOSEMON, from the Medical Committee, reported back the account of E. M. Brown, of Anderson County, for *post mortem* examination, and recommended that it be paid.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston, in Anderson County.

Mr. YOCOM presented the account of Wm. M. McDonald, of Chester County, for Sheriff's costs.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. WARLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County.

Mr. SMART presented the account of Wm. B. Bruce, Magistrate, of Fairfield County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. McDANIELS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following:

A Bill to establish a certain road in Laurens County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Bethel Church, in Laurens County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. HENDERSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to punish useless handling of deadly weapons.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WALLACE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate scales, weights and measures, in all cities, towns and villages in the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms of this House be instructed to have the wood that lies on the west side of the State House moved to some secure and convenient place for safe-keeping, and in order that the road may be clear.

Mr. MOBLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Union County to lay out a public highway.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with concurrence,

A Resolution to appoint a Special Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, to make inquiries concerning the appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 15.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 15, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that Messrs. Hayne and Nash have been appointed Committee on the part of the

Senate, to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and make certain inquiries relative to the appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,

President *pro tem.* of Senate.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

The report of the Code Commissioners was taken up.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the report was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report on the same, in connection with a Bill adopting and ratifying the Codification of the Statute Law of South Carolina.

A Bill to compel the County Commissioners of Edgefield and Newberry Counties to build a bridge across the Saluda River, at Chappell's Ferry, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and the keeping in repair of public highways and roads," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the further consideration of the Bill was made the Special Order for Wednesday, January 17, at 1 P. M.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Anderson County to alter the time for performing labor on the roads during the year 1871, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, the resolving clause of the resolution was stricken out.

A Bill to establish a public road from Lauhon Bridge, on Bear Creek, to Ridgeway, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. SMART, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to establish a road from Flowery Gap to Blackville was taken up.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Charleston County to place a flat at Bonneau Ferry was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways" was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to repeal the charter of the Goose Creek Bridge, and to make the same a public highway, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill adopting and ratifying the Codification of the Statute Law of South Carolina was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to alter sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts was taken up.

Mr. JONES moved to suspend the Rule requiring Bills to lie on the desks of members twenty-four hours before the same can be considered, in order to consider the Bill called up.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Consideration of Special Message of His Excellency the Governor, and Report of Special Joint Committee appointed to investigate the books, &c., of Financial Agent and Treasurer.

A debate ensued.

Mr. BOWEN, having the floor, yielded for a motion.

On motion of Mr. MOSES (Mr. Lee in the Chair), the Rule of the House, requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M., was suspended for this day.

Pending the further consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M., at the hour of 2:30 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Consideration of motion (by Mr. Jamison) to reconsider the vote whereby the consideration of a Bill entitled "A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties on the Comptroller and Treasurer," was made the Special Order for February 5.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the consideration of the Special Order for 2:30 P. M. was suspended until the further consideration of the business previously before the House.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M. was resumed.

Pending the debate (Mr. Bowen having the floor, on a question of privilege,)

Mr. BYAS rose to a point of order, which was that reference, in debate, to the private or personal character of Governor Scott, was unparliamentary.

The SPEAKER ruled the point not well taken, for the reason that though the language was objectionable, there was no parliamentary rule or legislative law which could abridge the right of a member from discussing the character of any State official.

Mr. BYAS appealed from the decision of the Chair.

On the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 72; nays, 15. So the decision of the Chair was sustained.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Jones, Kennedy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—72.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Byas, Ellison, Gaither, Garey, J. A. Green, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Lee, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, Small, J. W. Thomas and Wallace.—15.

Pending the further consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M.

Mr. Byas, having the floor, yielded for a motion,)

Mr. S. GREENE moved that the House do now adjourn.

Agreed to.

The House then, at 5 P. M., adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY; JANUARY 16, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 16.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it concurs in the amendment of your House to Senate concurrent resolution to appoint a Joint Special Committee to investigate and report upon returns made to the State by Phosphate Companies.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced Messrs. Myers, Rivers and Hedges as the Committee on the part of the House, to meet a Committee appointed on part of the Senate, pursuant to concurrent resolution, for the appointment of a Joint Special Committee to investigate and report upon returns made to the State by Phosphate Companies.

Also, that Messrs. Simons, Mobley and Lee had been appointed a Committee on the part of the House, to meet a Committee on the part of the Senate, pursuant to concurrent resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and make certain inquiries relative to the appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum.

Messages were sent to the Senate accordingly.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M. was suspended for this day.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of the Special Message of His Excellency the Governor, and the Report of the Special Joint Committee appointed to

investigate the books, &c., of the Financial Agent and Treasurer, was resumed.

A debate ensued, participated in by Messrs. Byas, Hurley and Whipper.

Mr. WHIPPER, having the floor, yielded for a motion.

Mr. YOCOM moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 37; nays, 30. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bass, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, Hagood, Kennedy, Litchfield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Myers, Nerland, Reedish, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. Smith, Talbert, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—37.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Byas, L. Cain, Dannerly, Ellison, Gaither, Goggins, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Humphries, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Nuckles, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Sumpter and Tarlton.—30.

The House then, at 5 P. M., adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House

Report of Committee on Claims on account of Columbia Gas Light Company.

Report of Committee on Claims on account of Messrs. Duffie & Chapman.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

A Bill to incorporate the Red Bank Manufacturing Company, of Lexington County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and keeping in repair of public highways and roads."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A concurrent resolution, in favor of the Supplemental Civil Rights Bill, now before Congress.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M. was suspended for this day.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being consideration of Special Message of His Excellency the Governor, and Report of Special Joint Committee appointed to investigate the books, &c., of Financial Agent and Treasurer, was resumed.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the consideration of the Unfinished Business was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following, and recommended that they do pass:

A Bill legalizing certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned;

A Bill to change the name of Lee Abrams, John Abrams, Dunklin Abrams and Mary Abrams, to Lee Ferguson, John Ferguson, Dunklin Ferguson and Mary Ferguson, respectively, and to permit Charles M. Ferguson to adopt them and make them his lawful heirs;

A Senate Bill to change the names of Tyrrell Willard and Ida Willard, and to make them the legal heirs of T. J. Jones;

A Senate Bill to change the name of Wm. Nathaniel Martin, and to make him one of the legal heirs of his father, with the following amendment:

Strike out the letter "N," in the second line, and insert the word "Nathaniel."

A Bill to regulate the liability of hotel keepers, with the following amendment:

After the word "misdemeanor," at the end of Section 2, add the following words: "And shall be punished by fine not exceeding the sum of one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the County jail not exceeding thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court."

Also, a Bill (which had been recommitted) to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and of jurors and witnesses in Courts of Trial Justices, or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes, with the following amendment:

Strike out all of the 5th Section from, and including, the words "to take the body of," down to, and including, the words "in which case," in the next to the last line of said Section.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back the following, and recommended that they do pass:

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to alter and renew the charter of the town of Darlington;"

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Cheraw Fire Engine Company, as a part of the Fire Department of the town of Cheraw;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the town of Chesterfield;

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Greenwood, S. C.;

A Bill to repeal the charter of the village of Laurensville;

A Bill to incorporate the Mechanics' and Farmers' Building and Loan Association, of Richland County, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Island Land Company, of South Carolina;

A Bill to incorporate the village of Smithville, Christ Church Parish, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of Georgetown;

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort;

A Bill to incorporate the Laboring Society, of Christ Church Parish, S. C.;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Cokesbury, S. C.;"

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Mount Pleasant;"

A Bill to incorporate the town of Lewisville, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned;"

A Bill to incorporate the town of Ninety-Six;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Pickens;

A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Company, of the City of Charleston, with the following amendment:

Strike out all after the word "*Provided*," in the fifteenth line, and insert the following: "That on and after the passage of this Act, all parties now dealing as pawn brokers, or those who may hereafter engage in such business, shall be required to obtain a charter from the Legislature of the State, and all parties violating the provisions of this Section shall be liable to a fine of not less than one (100) hundred dollars, nor more than five hundred (500) dollars, or imprisonment for not less than sixty days, nor more than six months, or both, at the discretion of the Court."

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the town of Hamburg," approved February 28, 1871, with the following amendment:

That the word "thirty-five," on line 4, in Section 2, be stricken out, and the word "twenty-five" inserted in lieu thereof.

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company, with the following amendment:

Strike out, on the eleventh line, all after the word "grain," down to the word "with," on the thirteenth line.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to authorize Probate Judges to perform certain duties heretofore performed by Commissioners in Equity, as defined on the first day of January, A. D. 1869;

A Bill to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Sumter County to establish a road in said County;

A Bill to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under order of Gen. Ed. R. S. Canby, for taxes.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Council of the Independent Order of United Brethren of South Carolina.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On the passage of the Bill, and ordering it to be sent to the Senate, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 67; nays, 23. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Byas, L. Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Logan, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes and Yocom.—67.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Frost, Hagood, Hurley, Litchfield, Miles, Myers, Shanklin, Simons, Whipper, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—23.

Mr. MICKEY, from the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures, reported back

A Bill (favorably) to incorporate the Planters' Mining and Manufacturing Company.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following, and recommended that they do pass:

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of the St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington County;

A Bill to incorporate the Presbyterian Church, of Fairfield County;

A Bill to renew the charter of Marion Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., of the city of Charleston;

A Bill to incorporate the Gethsemane Baptist Church, of Chester County;

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Episcopal Church, of Fairfield County;

A Bill to incorporate the Second Coosawhatchie Baptist Church.

On motion of Mr. A. SMITH, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and the keeping in repair of public highways and roads."

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES gave notice that he will on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce the following:

A Bill to grant aid to the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society;

A Bill to limit the tenure of certain State and County Officers.

Mr. WILSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williston.

Mr. HURLEY introduced the following Resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That the Republican Printing Company have printed and furnish to each member of the House of Representatives twenty-five copies, in pamphlet form, of the official report of the Ku Klux trials held in this city.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Beef and Pork Packing Association.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. MADDOCKS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill for the apportionment of the different Counties for members of the General Assembly.

Mr. L. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to determine the ratio of representation of the Counties of Barnwell, Edgefield, Aiken, Lexington and Orangeburg.

Mr. T. D. McDOWELL presented the account of J. M. Carr, M. D., for *post mortem* examination.

Referred to the Medical Committee.

Mr. GAREY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the manner of keeping stock on plantations.

Also,

A Bill to provide for the working and keeping in repair of highways, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend Section 91 of an Act to revise, simplify and abridge the Rules, Practice, Pleadings and Forms of Courts in this State, with regard to executions issued in Trial Justices' Courts.

Mr. HUDSON introduced

A Joint Resolution for a grant of land to the widow and minor children of Isaac Cowles, in Lancaster County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. DOYLE presented the protest of the Town Council of Walhalla, against the action taken by the General Assembly in perfecting titles to a certain lot in Walhalla.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to charter the Walhalla Female College.

Mr. RIVERS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Knights of the Circle Tie.

Mr. REEDISH gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following:

A Bill to alter and amend Section 313 of the Code of Procedure.

A Bill to incorporate the Boiling Spring Camp Ground.

Mr. MICKEY introduced

A Joint Resolution providing assistance for certain destitute persons.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. PENDERGRASS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Zion M. E. Church, of Kingsville, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. GILES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate fences.

The SPEAKER presented accounts of Daily Union and Courier.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

A debate ensued, participated in by Messrs. Whipper, Moses and Jones.

Mr. MOSES (Mr. Lee in the chair) rose and spoke to a question of privilege.

After further debate on the Unfinished Business,

Mr. JONES moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

On this, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 56; nays, 18. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Dannerly, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White and Wilkes.—57.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dusenbury, Goodson, Hurley, Litchfield, Mead, Myers, Reedish, Shanklin, Simons, R. M. Smith, Whipper, Wilson and Wofford.—19.

The following paper was presented to be entered on the Journal:

I vote "No" on the motion to lay the report of the Joint Special Investigating Committee on the table, for two reasons: 1st. Because no statement made in that report has been controverted, or proven to have been incorrect: 2nd. That as the only member of said Committee in this House, who has remained steadfast to the statements therein contained, I could not, in justice to my sense of honor as a member of this House, stultify myself by voting to lay on the table that which, by my signature, I have said is an exact statement of the frauds committed on the

people of South Carolina, by those who should be, at this moment, arraigned before a proper tribunal, there to be adjudged as to their complicity with the same.

(Signed)

TIMOTHY HURLEY.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, at 4:50 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. P. J. O'Connell, of Columbia.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A concurrent resolution that both Houses meet in Joint Assembly, this day, at 1 P. M., for the purpose of electing Associate Justice of Supreme Court, and Circuit Judges.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

A Bill to incorporate the Anderson Farmers' and Mechanics' Association.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Mullins, in Marion County, in the State of South Carolina.

A Bill to approve, adopt, and make of force the general statutes of the State of South Carolina, under the direction, and by the authority of the General Assembly.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back, (favorably) the account of W. P. Brown, for services rendered as Magistrate, in Fairfield County.

Mr. THOMPSON moved that the recommendation contained in the report be adopted.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the whole matter was laid on the table.

Also, reported back the following accounts for *post mortem* examinations, and recommended that they be referred to the Medical Committee :

F. R. Calhoun, E. T. McSwain, E. D. Smith, A. A. Sylvester, F. P. Porcher, Elliot Cowes, R. Y. Dwight, S. Allen Duncan, W. P. Geiger, A. D. Hoke, H. Horlback, S. S. Knight, C. P. Woodruff, Joseph L. Wofford, John Hopkins, and J. F. Hassel.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, reported back report (favorable) of Senate Committee on Claims, on account of E. R. Stokes, and recommended concurrence.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and the report ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on County Offices and Officers, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorably) to provide for the election of County Treasurers and Auditors ;

A Bill (unfavorably) to regulate the salaries of School Commissioners of the various Counties of the State ;

A Joint Resolution (unfavorably) to regulate the salary of County Treasurers ;

A Bill (unfavorably) to regulate and fix the salaries of the County Commissioners of the various Counties, and for other purposes ;

A Bill (unfavorably) to abolish the offices of State and County Auditors, County Assessors and County Treasurers, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills and Joint Resolution.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

• PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to grant aid to the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Ways and Means jointly.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williston.

Mr. A. SMITH gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to punish parties who sell land to others, knowing their inability to issue correct titles.

Mr. HUNTER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to abolish the Mayor's and Recorder's Courts of the city of Charleston, and establish, in lieu thereof, the Superior Court for Charleston County.

Mr. HOLMES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the election of Justices of the Peace, and to define their jurisdiction.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. L. CAIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to fix the ratio of representation for the Counties of Barnwell, Edgefield, Aiken, Orangeburg and Lexington.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DOYLE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Walhalla Female College.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. BYAS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal all laws authorizing the issue of State bonds and stocks.

Mr. DUNCAN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College ;

A Bill to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, in Spartanburg County.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to make jury certificates preferred claims on the several County Treasurers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Joint Assembly for the election of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and Judges of the Circuit Courts.

JOINT ASSEMBLY.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable Senate of South Carolina.

Hon. A. J. RANSIER, President of the Senate, took the Chair.

The PRESIDENT stated, that, in accordance with concurrent res-

olution adopted, the two Houses were now met in Joint Assembly, for the purpose of electing one Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and eight Circuit Judges, and that nominations were in order.

ELECTION OF ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Senator JOHNSTON nominated Hon. A. J. Willard.

Senator MCINTYRE nominated Hon. George S. Bryan.

The Joint Assembly then proceeded to a vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. A. J. Willard are :

Messrs. Allen, Arnim, Barber, Bieman, Beckman, Cardozo, Corbin, Duncan, Duvall, Gaillard, Hayes, Holcombe, Hollinshead, Johnston, Leslie, Maxwell, Montgomery, Nash, Owens, Rose, Smalls, Swails, Whittemore, Wilson and Wimbush.—25.

Mr. McIntyre voted for Hon. George S. Bryan.

Whole number of Senators voting..... 26

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Hon. A. J. Willard are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpster, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—99.

Those who voted for Hon. George S. Bryan are :

Messrs. Byas, Crittenden and Doyle.—3.

Those who voted for Mr. Byas are :

Messrs. Holmes and Mobley.—2.

Mr. Hudson voted for Mr. Mittag.

Mr. Jamison voted for Mr. M. R. Delany.

Whole number of Representatives voting.....106

RECAPITULATION.

Hon. A. J. Willard received.....	124
Hon. George S. Bryan.....	4
Mr. Byas.....	2
Mr. Mittag.....	1
Mr. Delany.....	1

Whole number of votes cast.....132

Necessary to a choice..... 67

The PRESIDENT announced that Hon. A. J. Willard, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, was duly elected Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, for the term of six years, commencing 30th July, 1872.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT.

Mr. JAMISON nominated Hon. Robert F. Graham.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote for Judge of the First Judicial Circuit, with the following result:

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. R. F. Graham are:

Messrs. Allen, Arnim, Barber, Bieman, Beckman, Cardozo, Clinton, Corbin, Duncan, Duvall, Gaillard, Hayes, Holcombe, Hollinshead, Johnston, Leslie, Maxwell, Montgomery, McIntyre, Nash, Owens, Rose, Smalls, Swails, Whittemore, Wilson, Wimbush.—27.

Whole number of Senators voting.....27

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Hon. R. F. Graham are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervev, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee,

Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom—107.

Those who voted for Mr. M. P. O'Connor are :

Messrs. Allen and Crittenden—2.

Mr. Hunter voted for Mr. M. B. Allen.

Whole number of Representatives voting.....110

RECAPITULATION.

Hon. R. F. Graham received.....	134
Mr. M. P. O'Conner.....	2
Mr. M. B. Allen	1

Whole number of votes cast.....	137
Necessary to a choice.....	69

The PRESIDENT announced Hon. R. F. Graham, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the First Judicial Circuit, for a term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE SECOND CIRCUIT.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE nominated Mr. J. J. Maher.
Mr. HOLMES nominated Mr. Charles B. Farmer.
Senator SMALLS nominated Mr. Wm. F. Colcock.
The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. J. J. Maher are :

Messrs. Allen, Arnim, Barber, Beckman, Cardozo, Corbin, Duvall, Gaillard, Holcombe, Hollinshead, Leslie, Maxwell, Montgomery, Nash, Owens, Rose, Swails, Whittemore, Wilson, Wimbush.—20.

Those who voted for Mr. W. F. Colcock are :

Messrs. Bieman, Clinton, Hayes, Johnston, Smalls.—5.

Mr. McIntyre voted for Mr. C. B. Farmer.

Whole number of Senators voting..... 26

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Mr. J. J. Maher are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Guffin, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—87.

Those who voted for Mr. C. B. Farmer are :

Messrs. Bosemon, Bowen, Byas, Ford, Holmes, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, Small, A. Smith, Tarlton and W. M. Thomas.—12.

Those who voted for Mr. W. F. Colcock are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Crittenden, Gantte, S. Green, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Shanklin, J. W. Thomas and Williams.—11

Whole number of Representatives voting.....110.

RECAPITULATION.

Mr. J. J. Maher received.....	107
Mr. W. F. Colcock.....	16
Mr. C. B. Farmer.....	13

Whole number of votes cast.....	136
Necessary to a choice.....	69

The PRESIDENT declared Mr. J. J. Maher, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit, for a term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT.

Senator SWAILS nominated Hon. John T. Green.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. J. T. Green are :

Messrs. Barber, Bieman, Beckman, Cardozo, Clinton, Corbin, Duvall, Gaillard, Hayes, Holcombe, Hollinshead, Johnston, Leslie, Montgomery, Nash, Owens, Rose, Smalls, Swails, Whittemore, Wilson, Wimbush.—22.

Whole number of Senators voting..... 22

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Hon. J. T. Green are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Alien, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosmon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Denuis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—104.

Number of Representatives voting..... 104

RECAPITULATION.

Hon. Jno. T. Green received.....	126
Whole number of votes cast.....	126
Necessary to a choice.....	64

The PRESIDENT declared Hon. J. T. Green, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit for a term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE FOURTH CIRCUIT.

Mr. KEITH nominated Mr. B. W. Edwards.
Mr. LEVY nominated Mr. Henry McIver.

Senator MAXWELL nominated Mr. C. P. Townsend.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Mr. C. P. Townsend are :

Messrs. Allen, Arnim, Barber, Beckman, Cardozo, Clinton, Corbin, Duncan, Gaillard, Hayes, Hollinshead, Johnston, Leslie, Maxwell, McIntyre, Nash, Owens, Rose, Smalls, Swails, Whittemore, Wimbush.—22.

Those who voted for Mr. Henry McIver are :

Messrs. Bieman, Duvall, Holcombe, Montgomery, Wilson.—5.

Whole number of Senators voting..... 27

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Mr. C. P. Townsend are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Berry, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehe-mias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sullivan, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, White and Yocom.—75.

Those who voted for Mr. Henry McIver are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Hagood, Litchfield, Miles, Shanklin, Sumpter, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—17.

Those who voted for Mr. B. W. Edwards are :

Messrs. Adamson, Elliott, Gaither, Garey, Goggins, Hedges, Humphries, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, O'Connell, R. M. Smith and Warley.—13.

Whole number of Representatives voting.....105

RECAPTULATION.

Mr. C. P. Townsend, received..... 97

Mr. Henry McIver..... 22

Mr. B. W. Edwards..... 13

Whole number of votes cast..... 132

Necessary to a choice..... 67

The PRESIDENT announced Hon. C. P. Townsend, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, for the term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE FIFTH CIRCUIT.

Senator NASH nominated Hon. Samuel W. Melton.
The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. S. W. Melton are :

Messrs. Allen, Arnim, Barber, Bieman, Beckman, Cardozo, Clinton, Corbin, Duncan, Duvall, Gaillard, Hayes, Holcombe, Hollinshead, Johnston, Leslie, Maxwell, Montgomery, McIntyre, Nash, Owens, Rose, Smalls and Swails.

Whole number of Senators voting..... 24

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Hon. Samuel W. Melton are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—97.

Whole number of Representatives voting.....97.

RECAPITULATION.

Hon. Samuel W. Melton received.....	121
Whole number of votes cast.....	121
Necessary to a choice.....	61

The PRESIDENT announced Hon. Samuel W. Melton, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, for the term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE SIXTH CIRCUIT.

Senator CLINTON nominated Mr. T. J. Mackey.

Mr. WHITE nominated Mr. I. D. Witherspoon.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. T. J. Mackey are :

Messrs. Barber, Clinton, Duncan, Gaillard, Hollinshead, Johnston, Maxwell, Montgomery, McIntyre, Nash—10.

Those who voted for Mr. I. D. Witherspoon are :

Messrs. Bieman, Beckman, Cardozo, Corbin, Duvall, Holcombe, Owens, Rose, Swails, Whittemore, Wilson, Wimbush—12.

Whole number of Senators voting.....22.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Mr. T. J. Mackey are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, Denis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace and Warley.—65.

Those who voted for Mr. I. D. Witherspoon are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Crews, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Frost, Guffin, Hagood, Hurley, Keith, Kennedy, Litchfield, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Myers, O'Connell, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, J. W. Thomas, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—33.

Whole number of Representatives voting..... 98

RECAPITULATION.

Mr. T. J. Mackey received..... 75

Mr. I. D. Witherspoon..... 45

Whole number of votes given..... 120

Necessary to a choice..... 61

The PRESIDENT announced Mr. T. J. Mackey, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, for the term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT.

Mr. HURLEY nominated Hon. Montgomery Moses.

Mr. CREWS nominated Mr. Wm. E. Earle.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. Montgomery Moses are :

Messrs. Allen, Barber, Bieman, Clinton, Duncan, Duvall, Holcombe, Johnston, Maxwell and McIntyre.—10.

Those who voted for Mr. Wm. E. Earle are :

Messrs. Cardozo, Corbin, Hollinshead, Montgomery, Nash, Owens, Rose, Smalls, Swails, Whittemore, Wilson and Wimbush.—12.

Whole number of Senators voting..... 22

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Hon. Montgomery Moses are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes and Wofford—87.

Those who voted for Mr. Wm. E. Earle are :

Messrs. Boston, Corwin, Crews, Jas. Davis, Farr, Guffin, Henderson, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, McDaniels, Talbert, Williams and Wilson—14.

Whole number of Representatives voting.....101

RECAPITULATION.

Hon. Montgomery Moses received..... 97
Mr. William E. Earle..... 26

Whole number of votes cast.....123
Necessary to a choice..... 62

The PRESIDENT announced Hon. Montgomery Moses, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, duly elected Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit, for the term of four years.

ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT.

Mr. ELLISON nominated Hon. James L. Orr.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Hon. James L. Orr are :

Messrs. Allen, Arnim, Barber, Bieman, Beckman, Cardozo, Clinton, Corbin, Duncan, Duvall, Gaillard, Hayes, Holcombe, Hollinshead, Johnston, Leslie, Maxwell, Montgomery, McIntyre, Nash, Owens, Smalls, Swails, Wilson, Wimbush.

Whole number of Senators voting.....25

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Hon. James L. Orr are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowen, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervay, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Madocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—89.

Whole number of Representatives voting..... 89

RECAPITULATION.

Hon. James L. Orr received.....114

Whole number of votes cast.....114

Necessary to a choice..... 58

The PRESIDENT announced Hon. James L. Orr, having received a majority of votes cast, duly elected Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, for the term of four years.

The PRESIDENT announced that the following named gentlemen had been duly elected Circuit Judges, for the term of four years, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, viz:

Hon. R. F. Graham, First Judicial Circuit.

Mr. J. J. Maher, Second Judicial Circuit.

Hon. Jno. T. Green, Third Judicial Circuit.

Mr. C. P. Townsend, Fourth Judicial Circuit.

Hon. Samuel W. Melton, Fifth Judicial Circuit.

Mr. T. J. Mackey, Sixth Judicial Circuit.

Hon. Montgomery Moses, Seventh Judicial Circuit.

Hon. James L. Orr, Eighth Judicial Circuit.

The PRESIDENT then declared the Joint Assembly dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

On motion of Mr. SAUNDERS, at 4:50 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. WALLACE.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back a Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Randolph Enterprise Association, of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JAMISON, from the Special Committee appointed to inquire and report to the House by what authority the granite on the East end of the Capitol is being removed, and by whose authority, made the following report:

That we have made the proper inquiries, and were informed by His Excellency the Governor that he, under a concurrent resolution author-

izing the Governor to sell such granite as would not be needed for the completion of the State House, had disposed of a part of it, at four dollars per cubic yard, and he has, since the passage of the resolution under which this Committee was appointed, stopped the removal until the House takes further action.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that the Governor be requested not to dispose of any more of the granite on the North-east end of the Capitol.

Mr. BYAS moved that the report be received as information.

Mr. YOCOM moved, as a substitute for the resolution, that the Committee be further instructed to examine into the sale of marble in the State House yard, and the circumstances attending it. Adopted.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Beef and Pork Packing Association.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. HUNTER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to establish a Court of inferior jurisdiction in the city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. MILTON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to change the name of Bowen McFaddin to Bowen McKnight.

Mr. GAITHER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend Section 91 of an Act to revise, simplify and abridge the Rules, Practice, Pleadings and Forms of the Courts of this State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HURLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the liability of railroad companies for killing or injuring stock.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

On motion of Mr. LEE, it was

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

Mr. BOWLEY gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Little River and Cheraw Railroad.

Mr. CORWIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to recharter the town of Frog Level, and change the name to Enterprise.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. SHANKLIN presented protest of County Commissioners of Oconee County in relation to the establishing of a public road in said County.

Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. JAMISON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Farmers', Laborers' and Mechanics' Land Company, of Orangeburg County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. REEDISH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to alter and amend Section 313 of the Code of Procedure.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Boiling Spring Camp Ground.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. JAMISON, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to establish a Public Road in Barnwell and Orangeburg Counties.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. McDANIELS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, of Laurens County, South Carolina.

Mr. WALLACE gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate St. Peter's A. M. E. Church, in Orangeburg County.

Mr. BYAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to repeal all Acts and resolutions relating to the issue and hypothecation of State bonds.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. DUNCAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The SPEAKER presented accounts of Carolina Printing Company, Geo. Symmers, C. S. Brown, H. Solomon and Daily Union :

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

The following members obtained leave of absence :

Mr. T. D. McDowell, for four days ;

Mr. Ellison, for four days.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Librarian to repair the lower floor of the State House.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on State House and Grounds.

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Lancaster.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to incorporate the Broad River Bridge Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Company, of the city of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. HURLEY moved to amend Section 1 by striking out, in the 5th line, the word "ten," and inserting the word "fifty." Agreed to.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to further amend Section 1 by inserting, after the name "Edward Mickey," the name "Jas. L. Jamison." Agreed to.

Mr. JAMISON moved to further amend Section 1 by inserting, after the name "Jas. L. Jamison," the name "Junius S. Mobley."

On motion of Mr. ELLIOTT, the amendment was laid on the table, which, under the Rules, carried the Bill with it.

Resolution (by Mr. Humbert) that two thousand copies of the Report of the Special Joint Committee, appointed to investigate the books of Financial Agent, &c., be printed for general distribution, was taken up.

The resolution was adopted.

A Bill to incorporate the Mechanics' and Farmers' Building and Loan Association, of Richland County, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Section 2 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. SIMONS called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 50 ; nays, 24. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Crittenden, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Hurley, Lang, Litchfield, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Saunders, Simons, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, William M. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—50.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Briggs, Byas, Dannerly, Doyle, Farr, Gantt, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Holmes, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Mobley, Ramsay, Reedish, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Wallace and Warley.—24.

On the main question, (the main question being the passing of Section 3 to a third reading,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 56 ; nays, 12. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bosemon, Briggs, Bryan, Crittenden, Dannerly, Jas. Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Lang, Mead, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—56.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Byas, Guffin, Holmes, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Milton, Mobley, Ramsay, Wallace and Warley.—12.

On the main question, (the main question being the passing of Section 4 to a third reading,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 54; nays, 11. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Lang, Lee, Mead, Miles, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White and Wilson.—54.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Byas, Farr, Guffin, Holmes, Humphries, Milton, Mobley, Ramsay, Small, Wallace and Warley.—11.

On the main question, (the main question being the passing of the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 55; nays, 6. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, Thompson and Wilson.—55.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Briggs, Byas, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Ramsay and Warley.—6.

Mr. BYAS moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 22; nays, 43. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Briggs, Byas, Dusenbury, Ellison, Giles, Hagood, Harris, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Jamison, Johnson, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, Miles, Milton, Moore, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Small and Warley.—22.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Crittenden, Dannerly, Jas.

Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Humphries, Hurley, Jervey, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, White and Wilson.—43.

On motion of Mr. ELLIOTT, a Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Company, of the city of Charleston, which had been laid upon the table with an amendment, was taken up.

The question being taken on the amendment to insert the name of "Junius S. Mobley," it was not agreed to.

Mr. HURLEY moved to further amend Section 1 by striking out, on line six, all the words after the word "provided," and inserting the words "nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the City Council of Charleston from imposing and collecting the usual license fees."

A debate ensued, pending the consideration of which, at the hour of 2:10 P. M.,

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the House adjourned until Monday, at 12 M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and, a quorum not answering to their names,

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, at 12:20 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. JEFFREY PENDERGRASS.

The Journal of Friday was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of Friday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Association, of the city of Charleston, was taken up.

The question being taken on the following amendment (proposed by Mr. Hurley): To strike out, on line six, all the words after the word "provided," and insert the words "that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the City Council of Charleston from imposing and collecting the usual license fees," it was adopted.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to further amend Section 1 by inserting after the name "J. L. Jamison," the name "Junius S. Mobley."

On this Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken and are as follows:

Yeas, 27; nays, 37. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Corwin, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Giles, Henderson, Humphries, Jamison, Lang, Litchfield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, Milton, Mickey, Nuckles, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Warley and Wilkes.—27.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bowley, Lawrence Cain, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Jones, Kennedy, Levy, Logan, Nehemias, Nerland, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Whipper, White, Wilson and Yocom.—37.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the special order for Monday, January 29th.

Mr. WHIPPER called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 60; nays, 9. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gnatt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Jervy, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—60.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Jamison, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, Milton, Mobley, Nuckles, Perry and Warley.—9.

On the main question, the main question being the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to make the further consideration of the Bill the Special Order for Monday, January 29th,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 15 ; nays, 55. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Corwin, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Henderson, Hudson, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mobley, Nuckles, Perry, Reedish and Smart.—15.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—55.

On the main question, (passage of Section 1 to a third reading,)

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 67 ; nays, 3. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jervy, Jones, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Ramsay, Reedish,

Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes Wilson, Wofford and Yocom —67.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Maddocks, Mobley and Perry.—3.

On the main question, the main question being the passing of Section 2 to a third reading,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 67 ; nays, 2. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—67.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Maddocks and Mobley.—2.

On the main question, (the main question being the passing of Section 3 to a third reading,)

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 69 ; nays, 3. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—67.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Gaither, Guffin and Maddocks.—3.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. JONES moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill was passed to a third reading. Agreed to.

Mr. JONES moved to reconsider the vote whereby Section 3 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to make the consideration of the motion (by Mr. Jones) the Special Order for August 1st. Not agreed to.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Jones) to reconsider the vote whereby Section 3 was passed to a third reading, it was agreed to.

The following amendment, proposed by the Committee to Section 3, was considered :

Strike out all after the word "*Provided*," in the fifteenth line, manuscript Bill, and insert the following: "That, on and after the passage of this Act, all parties now dealing as Pawn Brokers, or those who may hereafter engage in such business, shall be required to obtain a charter from the Legislature of the State; and all parties violating the provisions of this Section shall be liable to a fine of not less than one hundred (100) dollars, and not more than five hundred (500) dollars, or imprisonment for not less than sixty days, nor more than six months, or both, at the discretion of the Court."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to lay the amendment on the table. Agreed to, by a vote, on division, of yeas, 30; nays, 15; and the Section was carried with it.

The Bill was laid over for future action.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to provide for the construction of a new Court House for the County of Richland.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. MICKEY, from the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the South Carolina Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing Company;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills, were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. SIMONS, on the part of the Special Joint Committee to make

inquiry relative to the appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum, submitted the following

REPORT :

The Special Joint Committee appointed to inquire what has become of the appropriation of forty thousand dollars, made for the completion of the Lunatic Asylum, beg leave to report that they have waited upon his Excellency the Governor, and, also, have examined the books and vouchers in the State Treasury, and find that twenty-seven thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars has been paid to J. M. Allen, contractor, and G. T. Berg, Architect. The above amount was paid on the order of the Board of Regents of the Lunatic Asylum, with the approval of the Governor. There is a balance in the State Treasury of \$12,375, which has not been drawn. There is, also, a balance in the Treasury of five thousand dollars of the appropriation made at the regular session of 1869-'70. Making a total now in the State Treasury, to the credit of the Lunatic Asylum, of \$17,375.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the consideration of the report was made the Special Order for to-morrow at 1 P. M.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. SUMPTER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Town of Allendale, Barnwell County.

Mr. WHIPPER introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That R. K. Scott, Governor of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors in office.

Mr. LEVY gave notice that, on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will introduce

A Bill to prevent Trial Justices from practicing in each others' Courts.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Hr. HEDGES introduced

A Joint Resolution to authorize the Land Commissioner to execute titles to certain lands in Charleston County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. JERVEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce :

A Bill to incorporate the St. Andrew's Rifle Corps, of Charleston County, S. C. ;

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company.

Also, introduced the following preamble and resolution, which was taken up and immediately considered :

Whereas, there is a number of private Bills on the Calendar of the House, and the Session is about drawing to a close ; and whereas, a number of important Bills, beneficial to the public, have yet to be considered ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That on and after this day the House will devote Tuesdays and Fridays, of each week, to the consideration of such private corporations, and no others, until we adjourn.

Resolved, That, on the days aforesaid, the House will convene at 11 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at the usual time.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to amend the resolution by striking out that portion of the resolution referring to the hour of meeting. Agreed to.

Mr. JAMISON moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On this, Mr. JERVEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 42 ; nays, 30. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bowley, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Elliott, Ellison, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Jamison, Jones, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsey, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Warley, White and Wofford.—42.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Andell, Bass, Bowen, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Glover, Goodson, Guffin, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hunter, Jervy, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Milton, Sellers, Simons, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, J. W. Thomas, Wilkes and Wilson.—30.

Mr. YOCOM introduced the following preamble and resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Whereas certain defamatory statements have appeared in the columns of the New York Sun, of December last, purporting to emanate from the regular correspondent of that journal in Columbia, who occupies a

seat at the reporter's table, corroborated, subsequently, by an almost similar statement from the Washington correspondent of the New York Herald, as constituting the result of an interview with a member of this Legislature, which said statement, together with others, have been most extensively copied throughout the Union, and more generally by the press of South Carolina, in which it is charged that undue influences were employed in certain proceedings upon the floor of this House; and whereas said statements materially affect the Speaker of the House, and others, and are calculated to prejudice the party interests representing the majority of this Legislature; therefore,

Be it resolved, That a Committee of three members of this House be appointed by the Speaker to enquire into the facts connected with all such allegations, and report the same at the earliest possible moment—said Committee to have power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. HUMBERT, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Darlington Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Darlington, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BARKER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to grant power to the Augusta Canal Company to build a dam across the Savannah River.

Mr. LEE introduced the following preamble and concurrent resolution, which, on motion, was immediately considered, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Whereas the General Assembly, at its last session, appointed, by a concurrent resolution, a Joint Committee to investigate the financial condition of the State of South Carolina; and, whereas, said Committee has incurred an expense to the State, the amount of which is unknown to the General Assembly; and, whereas, it is reported that said Committee is still drawing per diem; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the said Committee be, and they are hereby, discharged.

Mr. BARKER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to limit the term of office of Notaries Public.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. JONES presented the petition of sundry citizens of Charleston County, favoring the passage of the Metropolitan Police Bill, for the City of Charleston.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BOWLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced
A Bill to charter the Little River and Cheraw Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the better protection of crops under cultivation.

Mr. GAREY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act to regulate the disposition of fines, &c., in Trial Justices Courts.

Mr. COUSART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Trial Justices," approved February 28, 1870.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McDANIELS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, of Laurens County, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. CORWIN presented the account of Andrew S. Speers, for services as school teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to the widow of Summerfield Montgomery \$250.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. DOYLE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill providing for the adoption, by James C. Thompson and his wife, Elizabeth Thompson, of the male child of Mary Couch, and giving it the name of James Lawrence Orr Thompson.

Mr. DUNCAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, of Spartanburg County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Keith obtained leave of absence for five days.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to construct a jail at Blackville, the County seat.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Banking and Insurance Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the salary of the late Judge Platt to his widow.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to authorize the construction of a public road from Binnaker's Bridge, *via* Honey Ford, across Big Saltkehatchie.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Bill to alter the mode of appointing one free student from each County to the University of the State of South Carolina was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

Consideration of motion (by Mr. Jamison) to reconsider the vote whereby the consideration of a Bill entitled "A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties on the Comptroller and Treasurer," was made the Special Order for February 5, was taken up.

The question being taken on the motion, it was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the further consideration of the Bill was made the Special Order for Friday, January 26, at 1 P. M.

A Bill to alter and amend the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts was taken up.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Randolph Enterprise Association, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Cokesbury" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Town of Chesterfield was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Lewisville, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 2 by striking out, in the fourth line, the word "March," and inserting the word "May." Adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution (by Mr. Henderson) requesting the Committee on Privileges and Elections to report, on February 1st, a Bill to amend the election law, was taken up.

The resolution was adopted.

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' Mining and Manufacturing Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. LEE moved to amend Section 1 by inserting after the name "Wm. Mott" the name "James Just."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for Friday, January 26, at 2 P. M. Agreed to.

A Bill to provide for the election of County Treasurers and Auditors was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. L. CAIN offered the following as a substitute for Section 1, which was adopted:

"SEC. 1. That at the next general election, to be held on the third Wednesday in October, 1872, and every second year thereafter, there shall be elected, in and for each County, one County Treasurer and one County Auditor, who shall hold their offices for the term of two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified."

Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. ALFRED HART.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to provide for the election of County Treasurers and Auditors, was taken up.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 2, was continued.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned to this House, with amendments,

A Bill to regulate the labor of persons confined in the Penitentiary of the State of South Carolina.

On motion, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Prison Reform.

Also, sent the following :

A Bill to establish a public road in Barnwell and Orangeburg Counties.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Bill to empower fathers to legitimize certain children by last will and testament.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled

‘An Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools for the State of South Carolina.’”

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Report of Senate Committee on Claims on account of J. H. & M. L. Kinard.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported

A Bill (favorable) to make appropriation for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House, with amendment:

Strike out, on fourth line, the words “eighteen thousand dollars,” and insert the word “money;”

Strike out, on line fourteen, the name of “J. G. Gaither,” and insert “C. E. Baker.”

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Mechanics’ and Farmers’ Building and Loan Association, of Richland County, South Carolina;

A Bill to compel the County Commissioners of Edgefield and Newberry Counties to build a bridge across the Saluda River, at Chappell’s Ferry.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

At the hour of 1 P. M., the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

Report of the Special Joint Committee on matters relative to appropriation for the Lunatic Asylum.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the report was received as information, and the Committee discharged.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the accounts of Miss Harriet Ransom and Annie M. Huckabler, for teaching public school in Abbeville County; also, accounts of M. A. Smith, for teaching school in Horry County; C. C. Reed, for teaching school in Anderson County; A. S. Smoke, for teaching school in Colleton County; Wm. M. Adams, for teaching school in Lancaster County; Mrs. Eva M. Pool, for teaching school in Spartanburg County, and L. Chambers, for teaching school in Oconee County, beg leave to report:

That they have examined the same, and recommend that they be returned to applicants, to be approved by proper school authorities, and be paid out of the County school fund.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, reported back the account of S. B. Thompson, of Charleston County, for *post mortem* examination, and recommended that it be referred to the Medical Committee.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. BYAS also submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the accounts of John T. Copeland, Elihue Moore, B. R. Hancock, R. McClain, George Malone, H. R. Price, D. P. Robinson and John Haile, for teaching school in Lancaster County; also, accounts of J. W. Keith, for teaching school in Oconee County; J. A. Hinnant, for teaching school in Fairfield County; P. B. Morgan, for teaching school in Charleston County; C. D. J. McMahon, for teaching school in Union County; William Geisenheimer, for teaching school in Orangeburg County; W. W. Butler, for teaching school in Abbeville County, and account of L. P. Gage, for teaching school in Richland County, beg leave to report:

That they have examined the same, and recommend that they be returned to the applicants, and be paid out of the County school fund.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported

A Bill to alter and amend Section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general election, and the manner of conducting the same."

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back the accounts of John C. Dial, the Daily Union, Carolina Printing Company, J. Williams, J. Crews, H. Solomon, and others, and recommended that the same be paid.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back a Senate Bill (favorable) to approve and adopt, and make of force, the General Statutes of the State of South Carolina, prepared under the direction and by the authority of the General Assembly ;

A Bill (favorable) to prevent parties from making fraudulent sales of land ;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to punish persons engaged in the business of lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. E. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars to the County of Abbeville, to be used in building a Court House for said County, in the Town of Abbeville.

Mr. FERGUSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, in the County of Aiken.

Mr. LEVY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to prohibit Trial Justices, or Justices of the Peace, from acting or practicing as attorneys, or counsellors at law, in the Courts of Trial Justices, or Justices of the Peace.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HURLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to encourage the re-building of the waste places in the city of Charleston, to make employment for the mechanics and laboring people, and for other purposes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. JERVEY presented petition of citizens of Charleston County, praying the passage of the Metropolitan Police Bill.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the St. Andrew's Rifle Corps, of St. Andrew's Parish, Charleston County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. BARKER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to grant power to the Augusta Canal Company to build a dam across the Savannah River.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. J. A. GREEN introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Governor be requested not to dispose of any more of the granite now in the State House yard.

Mr. L. CAIN gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to compel Representatives to reside in the Counties from which they were elected.

Mr. SMART gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural and Mechanics' Institute, of South Carolina.

Mr. BOWLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Union Savings' Bank, of Georgetown, South Carolina.

Mr. GAREY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the disposition of fines and penalties imposed and collected in criminal causes in Courts of Trial Justices."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. GAITHER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the better protection of crops under cultivation.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. SELLERS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend certain Sections of Title (X) of "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State."

Mr. DOYLE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill authorizing James C. Thompson and wife, Elizabeth Thompson, to adopt the child of Mary Couch, and give it the name of James Lawrence Orr Thompson, and make it their heir.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. JAMISON introduced the following preamble and resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Whereas, the Committee appointed to investigate and inquire into the removal of granite and marble from the Capitol grounds have not yet been able to obtain the proper information ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governor be requested not to allow the removal of any of said granite or marble, until said investigation has been made.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Broking Company, of the city of Columbia.

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Howard School, of Union.

Mr. GILES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate fences throughout the State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to alter the mode of appointing one free student from each County to the University of the State of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to provide for the construction of a new court house in and for the County of Richland was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill and report was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

A Bill to permit Samuel N. Anderson, of the County of Horry, to adopt Samuel Lauson, to make him his lawful heir, and to change the name of Samuel Lauson to that of Samuel N. Anderson, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the town of Hamburg," approved February 28, 1871, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LEE, Section 1 was amended by inserting, between the words "up" and "the," on fourth line, the words "and along." Also, on same line, between the words "mile" and "in," the words "and one-half." Also, by striking out, on tenth line, the word "rectangle," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "square."

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 2 was, on motion of Mr. LEE, indefinitely postponed.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. JONES moved to take up from the table an amendment proposed by the Committee on Incorporations to Section 3 of a Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Association, of the City of Charleston.

On this, Mr. JONES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 36; nays, 37. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Lawrence Cain, Jas. Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Glover, Samuel Greene, Hagood, Hedges, Hunter, Jervey, Jones, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Milton, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Saunders, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Warley, Whipper, Wilkes, Wofford and Yocom.—36.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bass, Boston, Byas, Everidge Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Sullivan and Taylor.—37.

Resolution (by Mr. Whipper) that R. K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors in office, was taken up.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to indefinitely postpone the consideration of the resolution, and called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the main question,

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 28; nays, 48. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Byas, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt,

Gardner, Garey, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humphries, Jones, Lee, McDaniels, Milton, Mickey, Nuckles, Ramsay, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Sumpter and Warley.—28.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Giles, Glover, Hagood, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Jervy, Lang, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—48.

On the question of adopting the resolution, the yeas and nays were ordered, in accordance with provision of the Constitution.

Whole number of votes cast.....81

Two-thirds of whole number of members elected.....83

Yeas, 40 ; nays, 41. Not adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, Humbert, Hunter, Jervy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, Miles, Nehemias, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Sellers, Small, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—40.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, Cousart, J. Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humphries, Jamison, Jones, Lang, Lee, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Sumpter and Warley.—41.

At 3:30 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till tomorrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. A. Webster.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred "An Act to provide for Teachers' Institutes," reported back the same, and recommended that the Act become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the consideration of the matter was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

Also, reported on account of Robt. Ayer, as School Teacher, and recommended it be paid.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and the report ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Bill (unfavorable) to provide for the payment of salaries of County School Teachers.

Also, reported back the following accounts of School Teachers, and recommended that they be returned to the school authorities of the respective Counties for action :

Elias F. Jefferson, Marion County.

W. T. Brooker, Barnwell County ;

O. L. Durant, Barnwell County ;

Wesley Lancaster, Spartanburg County ;

G. D. Williams, Anderson County.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported back a Senate Bill (favorable) to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to construct a jail at Blackville, the County seat, with the following amendments :

Strike out Section 2 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"SEC. 2. The said Commissioners are authorized to advertise for plans and specifications and proposals to build said jail, in the newspaper published in Barnwell, and in one daily newspaper published in Charleston and Columbia, for the space of three weeks, and from the plans, specifi-

cations and proposals submitted, to select such one as they may think best adapted to the necessities of a jail; and they are further authorized to contract with the party submitting the plans, specifications and proposals, accepted by them, for the construction of the same."

In the sixth line of Section 3, insert after the word "Treasurer," the words "on presentation," so that it shall read, "which draft shall be paid by the Treasurer on presentation."

Also, amend Section 3, by striking out the word "ten," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty," so that it shall read: "*Provided, further,* That there shall be reserved of such estimates twenty cents per centum," &c.

Further amend the Bill by adding the following as a fourth Section:

"SEC. 4. The County Treasurer shall set apart the sum of eight thousand dollars from the County funds, and hold such sum subject to the drafts of the County Commissioners, for payment for materials and construction of said jail."

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back a Bill (favorable) to charter the Spartanburg and Augusta Railroad Company, with the following amendments:

Strike out the word "Augusta," in the title of the Bill, and insert in lieu thereof the word "Aiken."

Also, in the preamble, strike out the words "City of Augusta, Ga.," and insert in lieu thereof, "town of Aiken."

Also, strike out the whole of Section 1, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"SEC. 1. That M. L. Bonham, Leroy F. Youman, H. W. Addison, G. Cannon, J. H. Evans, Alfred Tollison, D. R. Duncan, S. Bobo, Joseph Walker, S. R. Todd, J. W. Simpson, C. P. Sullivan, Lawrence Cain, Paris Simkins, Wm. T. Gary, Dr. John Henry, H. S. McGowan, T. N. Tobert, W. A. Limbecker, J. A. Stuart, Thomas Lake, A. L. Singleton, A. J. Norris, J. A. Barker, J. N. Hayne, E. J. C. Wood, P. G. Ruckwell, Henry Sparnick, Dr. D. C. Tompkins, Jessie Zimmerman, John Héwitt, D. R. Davidson, David Harris, Sr., P. R. Rivers, S. W. Nicholson, R. G. M. Dunovant, J. J. Cohen, James A. Grey, Josiah Sibley, Charles W. Harris, W. G. Harris, and their associates and successors, be, and they are hereby, declared a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of the Spartanburg and Aiken Railroad Company: *Provided,* That the work upon the said road shall be commenced within two (2) years and completed in five (5) years."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. O'CONNELL, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back a Bill to incorporate the Broad River Bridge Company, and recommended that the same be referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to authorize the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of Armstrong's Ford Road, in said County;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to establish a public road in Barnwell and Orangeburg Counties;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to authorize the construction of a public road from Binaker's Bridge, *via* Honey Ford, across the Big Saltkehatchie, with the following amendment:

Add to Section 3, "*And provided, also, That the cost of erecting said bridges shall not exceed three hundred dollars.*"

A Senate Bill (favorable) to recharter the ferry over the Combahee River, to be known as the Combahee Ferry;

A Bill (unfavorable) to repeal the charter of the Goose Creek Bridge, and to make the same a public highway;

A Bill (favorable) to establish a public ferry in Fairfield County;

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the replacing of mile stones and cross-road pointers upon the public highways.

A Bill (unfavorable) to authorize the Commissioners of Charleston County to place a flat at Bonneau Ferry;

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back the following:

A Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the employment of legal counsel for the prosecution of persons engaged in land swindles, with the following amendment:

Strike out, in the first Section, the words, "That Hon. A. G. Magrath, of the Bar of Charleston, and Hon. J. D. Tradewell," and insert, in lieu thereof, the following: "That Hon. J. D. Pope and Hon. H. G. Worthington."

A Joint Resolution to grant a section of land, in Lancaster County, to the widow and minor children of Isaac Cowles, and to provide for levying a special tax to re-imburse the State for the same;

A Senate Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties ;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties ;"

A Senate Bill (favorable) relative to the fees of the State Land Commissioner, with the following amendment :

"SEC. 2. That, in all cases where the sum of ten dollars, or any other amount, has been collected from the actual settlers upon, or purchasers of, the State lands, by order of the Land Commissioner, through his sub-assistants or otherwise, as fees for titles or other papers, the same shall be credited to the said settlers or purchasers as part payment for the said lands."

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported back Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same," approved March 1, 1870, with amendment to strike out Section 1.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Special Committee appointed to examine the books, vouchers, &c., of the State Treasurer and Comptroller General, submitted the following report :

The Committee appointed, pursuant to the requirement of "An Act to Regulate the Manner of Keeping and Disbursing Funds by Certain Officers," to examine the books and vouchers of the State Treasurer and Comptroller General, for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1870, and ending October 31, 1871, beg leave to submit the following

REPORT :

They first visited the Treasurer's office, and with the facilities afforded by that officer, and his efficient clerks, Messrs. Little and Tappan, a rigid examination was entered into.

His Receipt Book, together with his Journal, was compared with the orders (his vouchers) upon which was drawn all money payable at the Treasury, and was found to correspond in every particular.

The orders were drawn in accordance with law.

His Ledger makes the following exhibit of receipts and disbursements :

RECEIPTS.

1870.				
Oct. 31	To cash balance.....		\$	1,172 58
Nov.	do do			103,466 41
Dec.	do do			155,125 14
1871.				
Jan.	do do			140,840 75
Feb.	do do			184,802 28
March	do do			743 910 07
April	do do			175,589 12
May	do do			143,970 46
June	do do			34,232 39
July	do do			144,759 54
Aug.	do do			19,620 47
Sept.	do do			8,260 15
Oct.	do do			24,434 68
	Total.....		\$	1,880,184 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

1870.				
Nov.	By sundries.....		\$	93,371 07
Dec.	do			176,032 80
1871.				
Jan.	do			131,698 95
Feb.	do			212,361 47
March	do			313,146 32
April	do			128,181 37
May	do			476,998 61
June	do			65,196 88
July	do			193,499 74
Aug.	do			13,117 92
Sept.	do			36,110 10
Oct.	do			16,261 58
Oct. 31	By balance.....			24,207 23
	Total.....		\$	1,880,184 04
1871.				
Nov.	To balance.....		\$	24,207 23

At the Comptroller General's office, vouchers were found for all warrants drawn by him on the Treasurer, and his books in a condition highly creditable to himself and his clerk, Mr. C. J. Houston. At the suggestion of the Comptroller General, your Committee examined the State bonds deposited with him by Insurance Companies, as required by "An Act to better protect holders of Insurance Policies in this State." That officer requested it, for the reason that no Legislative Committee had ever examined them, and he earnestly desired it. We found every bond agreeing in amount, series and number, with the duplicate receipt given each company, and the entry made on the books of the office, and also found that they agreed, in the aggregate, with the amount required of each company doing business in this State.

Your Committee having discharged the duty for which they were appointed, respectfully ask to be discharged.

(Signed)

Y. J. P. OWENS,

Committee on part of the Senate.

F. H. FROST,

W. J. WHIPPER,

Committee on part of House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the consideration of the report was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, January 29, at 1 P. M., and the Committee discharged.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. E. CAIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to the County of Abbeville, to be used in building a Court House for said County, in the town of Abbeville.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

Mr. WHIPPER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to amend the 328th Section, Title 9, Chapter 2, of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. MYERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Mr. HEDGES, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to establish a Metropolitan District Police, and to provide for the government thereof.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

COMMUNICATION.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL,
COLUMBIA, S. C., January 25, 1872.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives :

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit, herewith, the reports of the various disbursing officers, together with all information connected with the financial condition of the State, which I have been able to get together.

That the delay of these statements has been very disadvantageous to yourselves, as well as to the public service, every one will admit, and no one can regret it more than I do; and, I assure you, gentlemen, that I have used every effort in my power to obtain them at an earlier day. I now place them in your possession at the earliest possible moment.

I also regret that the reports are not more satisfactory, and that I am unable, under the present embarrassed condition of our finances, to make some recommendations looking to improvement in the future; but, in view of the fact that our finances are managed by the Financial Board, of which I am not a member, and of whose future plans I am not advised, you will, I trust, pardon me for refraining from the expression of my views, and for hoping, perhaps vainly, that their plans for the future will work out our relief as rapidly as those pursued in the past have increased our State debt.

Without reflecting upon any one, I beg leave to say, that I am both disappointed and surprised at the enormous amount of our funded debt, and venture to make one suggestion : that is, in the future live within your income; the State having lost its credit by extravagant practices, just as a private individual would lose his by the adoption of a similar course.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. L. NEAGLE,

Comptroller General.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the communication was received as information, and, with the accompanying papers, ordered to be printed.

Mr. RIVERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Knights of the Circle Tie, No. 1, of Hamburg.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BOWLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Georgetown, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. SELLERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend certain Sections of Title 10 of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HENDERSON introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted:

Be it resolved, That the Committee on Incorporations be, and the same are hereby, directed to report on a Bill to amend and renew the charter of the town of Newberry, on or before the 30th day of January, 1872.

Mr. BOSTON introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Claims be requested to report to this House, as early as practicable, all claims in his possession against the State relative to the Constabulary.

Mr. BYAS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Orangeburg.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Columbia.

Mr. FROST, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Brotherly Association, of Charleston, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Joint Resolution to compensate John T. Green, Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, for extra services.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BRIGGS introduced

A Joint Resolution to investigate the transactions of the Financial Board and the Financial Agent of the State, in the City of New York.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The SPEAKER presented the account of John Alexander, for iron railing in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Mr. SMART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina College and Mechanics' Institute.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. WILKES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the town of Townville, in the County of Anderson;

A Bill to change the name of John James to John James Moore, and to confer on him the rights of legitimacy.

The SPEAKER announced Messrs. Yocom, C. D. Hayne and Jones as a Special Committee, pursuant to resolution adopted for appointment of Committee to investigate certain defamatory statements, &c.

Mr. Sullivan obtained leave of absence for five days.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Lowndesville, Abbeville County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations

Also, returned, with concurrence, resolution to discharge the Joint Special Investigating Committee.

Also, sent a concurrent resolution requiring the General Assembly to adjourn *sine die* on February 16, 1872.

Mr. LEE moved that the consideration of the resolution be postponed, and made the Special Order for February 14.

On this Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 54; nays, 35. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bowley, Briggs, E. Cain, Cousart, Crews, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner,

Garey, Giles, Goodson, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley and Yocom.—54.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Frost, Gantt, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Jervey, Jones, Logan, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—35.

Also,

A concurrent resolution discharging the several Joint and Special Committees belonging to the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also, report of Committee on Claims on account of L. P. Donahue, school teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, returned, with concurrence, report of the Medical Committee on account of Dr. E. M. Brown, for *post mortem* examination.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to alter the mode of appointing one free student from each County to the University of the State of South Carolina.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to amend Section 1 by striking out all after the word "University," on the eleventh line, and inserting, in lieu thereof, "and upon presenting such certificate to the members of the House of Representatives of any County, the said members, or a majority of them, shall appoint the holder thereof a free student in the University of South Carolina."

On this, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 43; nays, 34. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Crittenden, James Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hart, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mobley, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders,

Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Warley, Whipper and White.—43.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Byas, Cousart, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Frost, Giles, Glover, Samuel Greene, Hagood, Hedges, Hunter, Litchfield, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mickey, Pendergrass, Sellers, Small, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—34.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. WILKES introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered:

Whereas, the Congress of the United States, in plain violation of the doctrine "that there should be, either in free trade, in reference to the products of all the world, or else an equality of protection," seems to be about to remove the duty from Rice, one of the staple products of this State; and, whereas, in the judgment of this General Assembly, such a measure would be "partial in character and disastrous in results;" be it, therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, the Senate concurring, That the repeal of the tariff on Rice, the culture of which staple is the principal source of profit and support of so large a portion of the laborers of this State, would be unwise, partial and disastrous.

Resolved, That our Senators are hereby instructed, and our Representatives to the Congress of the United States are hereby requested to use their influence to secure the continuance of the protective duty on Rice.

Resolved, That this General Assembly would not be understood, by this action, as endorsing the principle of a high tariff for protection.

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor is hereby requested, immediately upon the adoption of these resolutions, to forward certified copies thereof to His Excellency the President of the United States, the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to our Senators and Representatives to Congress, who are hereby requested to lay the same before that body.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the further consideration was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, January 29, at 1 P. M.

Mr. ELLIOTT moved to take up from the table an amendment proposed by the Committee on Incorporations to Section 3 of a Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Association, of the City of Charleston. Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. ELLIOTT, the amendment was indefinitely postponed.

Section 3 was passed to a third reading.

On the question of passing the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. MADDOCKS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Lang, Lloyd, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—51.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Ellison, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, J. A. Green, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Small, J. W. Thomas and White.—29.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. STEPHEN GAREY.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) in relation to absconding parents ;

A Bill (favorable) to alter and amend Section 313 of the Code of Procedure ;

A Bill (favorable) to carry into effect the provisions of Section 11, Article XIV, of the Constitution of the State of South Carolina ;

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Trial Justices," approved February 28, 1870 ;

A Bill (favorable) to amend the 328th Section, Title 9, Chapter 2, of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State," generally called the "Code of Procedure ;"

A Bill to reduce all Acts, and parts of Acts, to determine and perpetuate the Homestead, into one Act, and to amend the same.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WILKES reported, verbally, that he had been instructed by the Committee on the Judiciary to request that they be discharged from the further consideration of all matters relative to the Metropolitan Police Bill, for Charleston County, and that the Bill be referred to the Charleston delegation.

Mr. DOYLE moved that the request be granted.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend, by instructing the Special Committee to report by Tuesday next.

The motion, as amended, was agreed to.

Mr. CREWS, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act for the better protection of migratory fish.'"

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back the accounts of A. S. Speers, of Newberry County, and L. P. Donahue, of Lexington County, for services as school teachers, and recommended that they be returned to the school officers of their respective Counties for action.

On motion of Mr. FERGUSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also,

A Bill (favorable) to charter the Walhalla Female College ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural College and Mechanics' Institute ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College ;

A Bill (unfavorable) to provide for the establishment of Agricultural Colleges ;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to incorporate the Claflin University and the State Agricultural College, of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the reports were laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported on a Bill to establish a school amongst the convicts in the State Penitentiary by a substitute entitled

“A Bill to provide for the establishment of a school in the State Penitentiary.”

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the substitute was adopted.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on County Offices and Officers, to whom was referred the petition of Arthur Jefferson and others, praying that the sum of three hundred dollars be paid to the said Arthur Jefferson for extra services as County Commissioner of Abbeville County, reported back the same, with the recommendation that the petition be referred to the County Commissioners of Abbeville County; and that said County Commissioners be authorized to audit and pay the said sum of three hundred dollars to the said Arthur Jefferson.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. SIMONS, from the Joint Committee on the Lunatic Asylum and Medical Affairs, submitted the following:

REPORT.

The Joint Committee on the Lunatic Asylum and Medical Affairs beg leave to report:

That they have visited the Asylum, and have had shown to them, through the courtesy of the President of the Board of Regents, the Superintendent, and his Assistant, the several improvements made since their last visit. In every object of notice there is a reminder that the wants and desires of the unfortunate patient has been earnestly looked after and cared for. The air of comfort, affected by the cleanliness of the buildings, and the observance of the rule of “a place for everything, and everything in its place,” the improvements in the furniture, the billiard tables, pianos, croquet implements, and the substitution of a bath-room for each ward, instead of one for each building, reminds the observer that everything has been done by the Superintendent and his co-laborers to make those within their charge as comfortable, and as far removed from their lamentable condition, as the limited means would permit.

The first objects of notice that would strike the eye of a visitor, upon entering the old building, are the registers upon the walls, and the fur-

naces in the basement. These dispense with the stoves and fire-places, and concomitant dangers, and affect, at a much less cost of fuel, a thorough heating of the building, which, under a former administration, was much desired, but declared to be impracticable.

All these improvements, however, redound to the comfort of but one class of patients. The condition of those occupying the wooden buildings we find very little improved. Your Committee, in fact, despair of the condition of these unfortunate people being ameliorated until the new building is finished, and they are removed from the miserable tenements which they now occupy. This, we hope, each member will assist your Committee, so far as their duties and powers go, in accomplishing.

The work upon this new building was steadily and satisfactorily carried on whilst the money appropriated for the same could be obtained from the State Treasurer. When orders, however, were refused to be approved and cashed, the contractor was compelled to put them upon the market, and pay large sums of money for discount and rates of interest. This means of obtaining money could not be pursued long, and the work was necessarily suspended. Thus the humane objects for which the appropriation was designed still remains unaccomplished, and the hopes of this Committee, that these people be properly and equally cared for, deferred. Those upon whom devolved the duty under the law to approve and cash these orders, have not been, in the estimation of your Committee, as willing to meet the efforts of those in charge of this work as would be looked for from persons occupying such elevated positions, as the cause of this delay may be in part, if not in the whole, charged upon them. The \$17,000 of the appropriation still remaining in the Treasury the contractor is unable to obtain, notwithstanding the urgent need.

Dr. Ensor, the efficient Superintendent, has the congratulations of each member of the Committee for the high degree of success which he has met with in the conduct of the Institution, and in the performance of those peculiar duties which require the pulsations of a kind and sympathetic heart, as well as medical skill and learning.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

WM. SIMONS, Chairman,
JAS. E. DUSENBURY,
JAMES DAVIS,

Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

BENJ. A. BOSEMON, JR., Chairman,
R. M. SMITH,
J. L. WOFFORD,
T. R. BASS,
O. M. DOYLE,
E. FERGUSON,

Medical Committee.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was received as information, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. O'CONNELL, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back:

A Bill (favorable) to establish a certain road in Laurens County;

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways," with the following amendments:

Strike out all after the word "follows" to the word "sixteen." Strike out the words "not less than three nor more than five days," and substitute for the same the words "not less than five nor more than ten days."

A Bill (unfavorable) to authorize the erection of a bridge over the Wateree River;

A Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and keeping in repair public highways and roads," approved March 1, 1870;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and the keeping in repair of public highways and roads;"

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners to open a public road in the County of Lancaster.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BRIGGS, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported back the following:

A Bill (unfavorable) to grant aid to the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society;

A Bill (favorable) to exempt a certain portion of York County from the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate fences," passed December 18, 1827;

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for agricultural purposes," with the following amendment:

Insert after the word "physician," at the end of Section one of said Bill, the following words, to wit: "blacksmiths, for work done on plantation tools, who pursue their trade or calling, not within the limits of any incorporated city, town or village within this State."

A Bill (unfavorable) to regulate the issuing of checks by planters to employees on plantations;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) for the protection and preservation of useful animals;

A Bill (unfavorable) for the protection, preservation and propagation of game.

On motion of Mr. J. DAVIS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOSEMON, from the Medical Committee, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to amend the law in relation to the license and registration of pharmacutists, apothecaries and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Mt. Zion M. E. Church, of Kingstree, S. C. ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Mt. Bethel Church, in Laurens County ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, of Spartanburg County ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Boiling Spring Camp Ground ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, of Laurens County, S. C.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported

A Bill to make appropriations, and raise supplies, for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

Read the first time, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties on the Comptroller and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the consideration of the Bill was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. TALBERT presented the accounts of M. A. Bird, A. Robertson, Mrs Hutchinson, and R. F. McCaslan, for services as school teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. WILKES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the town of Townville, in the County of Anderson.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, presented the petition of citizens of Townville, Anderson County, praying an Act of incorporation.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. S. GREENE gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to charter Big House Ferry, over Beaufort River.

Mr. LOGAN gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' and Mechanics' Steamboat Company.

Mr. YOCOM gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following :

A Bill to compel certain County officers to report to the Judge of the Circuit Court of their respective Counties ;

A Bill to divide the State into five Congressional Districts.

Mr. SAUNDERS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to prevent all persons having been convicted in the Courts of this State as Ku Klux Klans, from voting or holding any office of profit and trust under the laws of this State.

Mr. MADDOCKS introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for a second reading :

Be it resolved, That on and after Monday, when this House adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock A. M., daily, and adjourn at will.

On motion of Mr. HUMBERT, it was

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

Mr. LEE introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered :

Resolved, That the Special Committee appointed to inquire into certain defamatory statements which appeared in the columns of the *New York Sun*, be, and they are hereby, discharged.

Mr. YOCOM moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. BYAS called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, " Shall the main question now be put ? "

Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, J. Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Gogg ns, S. Greene, Guffin, Hart, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Thompson and Warley.—51.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Ford, Frost, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hunter, Jervey, Logan, Myers, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Wofford and Yocom.—29.

On the main question, (the motion to lay the resolution on the table,)

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 28 ; nays, 52. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Ford, Frost, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hunter, Jervey, Logan, Myers, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Whipper, Wilkes, Wofford and Yocom.—28.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bowley, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Cousart, James Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hart, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley and White.—52.

On the question of adopting the resolution,

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 53 ; nays, 24. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, J. Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hen-

derson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Thompson, Warley and White.—53.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Ford, Frost, Glover, C. D. Hayne, Hunter, Jervey, Logan, Myers, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Wofford and Yocom.—24.

Mr. GAREY gave notice that on Monday next, or some some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act relating to the duties of County Commissioners.

Mr. COUSART presented the account of Miss N. A. Clyburn, of Lancaster County, for services as school teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. BYAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

Consideration of Message of His Excellency the Governor, No. 3, returning, without his approval, an Act to provide for Teachers' Institutes.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

The following members obtained leave of absence:

Mr. Farr, for five days;

Mr. Hudson, for five days;

Mr. Giles, for five days.

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Broking Company, of the city of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. JAMES DAVIS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act relating to apprentices.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to regulate the toll to be taken at grist mills.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, a Bill to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M. was resumed.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 14, was continued.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1:30 P. M. was resumed.

The Message was read.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the further consideration of the matter, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, January 31, at 1:30 P. M.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M.,

The SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. JOEL ALLEN.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of Friday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of Message of His Excellency the Governor, No. 3, returning, without his approval, an Act to provide for Teachers' Institutes, was resumed.

The motion (by Mr. Jamison) to postpone the further consideration of the matter, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, January 31, at 1:30 P. M., was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the matter was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to alter sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts ;

A Bill to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to Circuit Courts.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to incorporate the town of Lewisville, S. C. ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the town of Cokesbury ;"

A Bill to permit Samuel N. Anderson, of the County of Horry, to adopt Samuel Lauson, to make him his lawful heir, and to change the name of Samuel Lauson, to that of Samuel N. Anderson ;

A Bill to provide for the election of County Treasurers and Auditors ;

A Bill to incorporate the Randolph Enterprise Association, of Charleston, S. C. ;

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled " An Act to charter the town of Hamburg," approved February 28, 1871 ;

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort ;

A Bill to make appropriation for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the town of Chesterfield.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, its title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. GARDNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Edisto Light Guard ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the St. Andrew's Rifle Corps, of St. Andrew's Parish, Charleston County ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Rivers' Guards, of Hamburg, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Lancaster Riflemen;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Lincoln Light Infantry, of Darlington;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry, of Charleston, S. C.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. FERGUSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, of Aiken, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. NEHEMIAS introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That on and after the first day of February, this House do meet at 12 M., and adjourn at 3 P. M., and meet at 7 P. M., and adjourn at pleasure.

Mr. S. GREENE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Big House Ferry, in Beaufort County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. BOSEMON presented the petition of teachers in the Free Common Schools, of Charleston, praying the passage of a deficiency appropriation.

Referred to the Committees on Education and Ways and Means, jointly.

Mr. YOCOM, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to compel certain County officers to report to the Judge of the Circuit Court of their respective Counties.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

A Bill to divide the State into five Congressional Districts.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. SAUNDERS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to exempt the Benedict Institute from taxes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to prevent all persons from exercising the right of franchise who have been convicted in any Court of competent jurisdiction in this State of Ku Kluxism.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WHIPPER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for a Sinking Fund, and the management of the same."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. TARLTON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to punish persons selling land and failing to give the proper titles.

Mr. L. CAIN presented the account of Lewis Jones, late Sheriff of Edgefield County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. J. A. GREEN introduced

A Joint Resolution to levy a tax of a half mill on the dollar, in Edgefield and Newberry Counties, for the purpose of erecting a bridge at Chappell's Ferry over the Saluda River.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries and Ways and Means jointly.

Mr. T. D. McDOWELL introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certain stock of the State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BYAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend the rules and regulations of the South Carolina Penitentiary, as established in 1867.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. GAREY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend Section 15 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways and roads."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill relating to vagrants.

Mr. COUSART gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce the following:

A Bill to restrain Sheriffs from the sale of County property, under execution, for debts of the County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster, South Carolina and Central Railroad Company ;

A Bill to encourage and facilitate the common schools of the State.

Mr. HENDERSON introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Incorporations be, and the same are hereby, directed to report on a Bill to amend and renew the charter of the town of Newberry, on or before the first day of February, 1872.

Mr. SIMONS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the payment of persons serving as Jurors on Coroners' Juries.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to grant, renew, and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned."

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to protect employees, when improving the premises of their employees.

Mr. FERGUSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Trust and Loan Association, of Aiken County, South Carolina.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

On the question, " Shall this Act become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding?"

The yeas and nays were ordered in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, resulting:

Whole number of votes given..... 76

Yeas, 44 ; nays, 32. So the House refused to pass the Act, (a two-thirds vote being necessary.)

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Hunter, Lloyd, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Simons, A. L.

Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Whipper and Yocom.—44.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Cousart, Crittenden, Derrick, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hurley, Jamison, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Rivers, Saunders, Smart, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, White, Williams and Wofford.—32.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Report of the Joint Committee appointed to examine the books, &c., of the Treasurer and Comptroller General.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the report was received as information, and the Committee discharged.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Concurrent resolution (by Mr. Wilkes) relative to the repeal of the protective duty on rice.

The resolution was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate for concurrence.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senat sent to this House the following:

A Bill to prevent certain officers from buying, discounting or shaving teachers' pay certificates, or other orders on the School Fund.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the Yemassee and Millen Railroad Company."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing Juries."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

Resolution (by Mr. Hurley) to print copies of the Ku Klux trials for distribution to members of the House was taken up.

The resolution was adopted.

A Senate Bill to approve, adopt and make of force the General Statutes of the State of South Carolina, prepared under the direction and by the authority of the General Assembly, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 56; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Audell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert Hunter, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Logan, Maddocks, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, Williams, Wofford and Yocom.—56.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bryan, Ferguson, Gaither, Harris, Jamison, Jones, Lloyd, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, Rivers, A. Smith and White.—14.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the payment of the past due indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day, was read and confirmed.

The unfinished business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to provide for the payment of the past

due indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House, the same was resumed.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 1, as follows, was adopted :

Strike out, on fourth line, the words "eighteen thousand dollars," and insert the word "money." Strike out, on line 14, the name of "J. G. Gaither," and insert "E. C. Baker."

The Bill was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to amend Section 108 of an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871 ;

A Bill (favorable) to grant, renew and amend the charter of the village of Rock Hill, in the County of York ;

A Bill (favorable) to alter and amend the charter of the town of Pendleton ;

A Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston ;

A Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of the town of Newberry ;

A Bill (favorable) to re-charter the town of Frog Level, and change the name to Enterprise ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the village of Little Rock, in the County of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend the charter of the town of Lancaster ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Charleston Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3 ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Anderson Farmers' and Mechanics' Association ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the town of Mullins, in Marion County, State of South Carolina ;

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading,

A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Brokers' Company, of the city of Charleston.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. MADDOCKS moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 18 ; nays, 57. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Boston, Briggs, Corwin, Cousart, Dusenbury, Gaither, Holmes, Johnson, Keith, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, A. L. Singleton and J. W. Thomas.—18.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Lloyd, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, Whipper, White and Wofford.—57.

On the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. MADDOCKS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 24. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper, White and Williams.—57.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Ellison, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, J. A. Green, Harris, Henderson, Holmes, Keith, Lee, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, Smart and Talbert.—24.

Also, the following :

A Senate Bill to approve, adopt and make of force the general statutes

of the State of South Carolina prepared under the direction and by the authority of the General Assembly.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Bill to alter the mode of appointing one free student from each County to the University of South Carolina.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. GOGGINS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend so much of Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners,'" as relates to the County of Abbeville.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Savings Bank, of Aiken, S. C.;

A Bill to apportion the members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of the State, according to their population.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to establish a public road in Aiken County.

Mr. NEHEMIAS introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Clerks of the respective Houses be, and they are hereby, instructed to issue pay certificates to the members of the General Assembly, and the subordinate officers and attachees, from the 5th day of January, to the 16th day of February next, both days inclusive.

Mr. FERGUSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Building, Trust and Loan Association, of Aiken, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Mr. NEHEMIAS gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to regulate the pay of the members of the General Assembly.

Mr. HUNTER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for a general license law.

Mr. TARLTON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to punish persons selling real estate and failing to give proper and legal titles.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BOWEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District of Charleston, and to provide for the government thereof.

Read the first time, and referred to the Charleston delegation.

Mr. HOLMES presented the petition of citizens of Colleton County, in opposition to the passage of a Bill for keeping cattle within enclosures.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. GAREY introduced

A Joint Resolution to grant to the Governor the power to fill vacancies occurring in the Board of Regents of the Lunatic Asylum.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill relating to gambling.

Mr. J. DAVIS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act relating to apprentices."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. SIMONS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for the payment of persons serving as jurors on Coroners' juries.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. FROST introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax.

Read first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. WHITE introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That after Monday, February 5th, no more Bills be introduced into this House.

The SPEAKER presented the account of M. H. Berry.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with concurrence,

A resolution relative to the repeal of the protective tariff on Rice.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot, in the city of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, on certain conditions," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate accordingly.

A Senate Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to construct a jail at Blackville, the County seat, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The following amendments, recommended by the Committee, were adopted:

Strike out Section 2, and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"SEC. 2. The said Commissioners are authorized to advertise for plans and specifications and proposals to build said jail, in the newspaper published in Barnwell, and in one daily newspaper published in Charleston and Columbia, for the space of three weeks, and, from the plans, specifications and proposals submitted, to select such one as they may think best adapted to the necessities of a jail; and they are further authorized to contract with the party submitting the plans, specifications and proposals accepted by them for the construction of the same."

In the sixth line of Section 3, insert, after the word "Treasurer," the words "on presentation," so that it shall read: "which draft shall be paid by the Treasurer on presentation."

Also, amend Section 3, by striking out the word "ten," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twenty," so that it shall read: "*Provided, further,* That there shall be reserved of such estimates twenty cents per centum," &c.

Further amend the Bill, by adding the following as a fourth Section:

"SEC. 4. The County Treasurer shall set apart the sum of eight thousand dollars from the County funds, and hold such sum subject to the drafts of the County Commissioners, for payment for materials and construction of said jail."

On motion of Mr. LEE, the further consideration of the Bill was suspended temporarily.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the disposition

of fines and penalties imposed and collected in criminal causes by the Circuit Court of General Sessions and Trial Justices," so far as it relates to Trial Justices, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. KEITH, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to confer upon Trial Justices certain civil jurisdiction was taken up.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to extend the civil jurisdiction of Trial Justices to cases of trespasses upon real estate, and to establish an expeditious mode of ejecting trespassers therefrom, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. KEITH, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to appoint a General Inspector of Bridges and Trestle Works, in the State of South Carolina, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to amend an Act in relation to Free Common Schools was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

Majority and Minority Reports of Committee, on the part of the House, appointed to examine books, &c., of Financial Agent, Treasurer, &c., was taken up.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the reports were laid on the table.

A Bill to incorporate the Second Coosawhatchie Church was taken up.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Bill to regulate the salaries of School Commissioners of the various Counties of this State was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Joint Resolution to regulate the salary of County Treasurers was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Joint Resolution was recommitted to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

A Bill to regulate and fix the salaries of the County Commissioners of the various Counties, and for other purposes, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to abolish the offices of State and County Auditors, County Assessors and County Treasurers, and for other purposes, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties," was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to punish persons engaged in the business of lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. LEE moved that the Bill be recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. JAMISON moved to lay the motion on the table; and on this he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 24; nays, 54. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bowen, Byas, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Gaither, Garey, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hart, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Lloyd, Maddocks, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, Tarlton, Thompson and Wofford.—24.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dennis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Jackson, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, Whipper and White.—54.

Mr. LEE called the previous question on the motion to re-commit.

The question being taken on the motion to re-commit the Bill to the Committee on the Judiciary,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 33; nays, 45. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bowley, Briggs, Everidge, Cain, Cousart, Dennis, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Goggins, Hagood, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Sellers, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Thompson, White and Wofford.—33.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Andell, Boston, Bowen, Bryan, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Critten-

den, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Elliott, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas and Whipper.—45.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for February 20, at 1 P. M.

A Bill to repeal the charter of the Goose Creek Bridge, and to make the same a public highway, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Charleston County to place a flat at Bonneau Ferry was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 4. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Garey, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jervy; Lloyd, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Williams and Wofford.—57.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Gaither, Jamison, Mobley and Ramsay.—4.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the establishment of Agricultural Colleges was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Thursday, February 1, at 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and keeping in repair of public highways and roads," approved March 1, 1870, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to authorize the erection of a bridge over the Wateree River was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. GAREY, Section 4 was amended by striking out, in the third line, the words "two mills," and inserting "one mill."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill for the protection, preservation and propagation of game, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Bill to regulate the issuing of checks, by planters, to employees on plantations, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to grant aid to the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society was taken up.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the Bill was laid on the table.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back the account of Wm. Holmes, with a recommendation that it be paid.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also, report of Senate Committee on Claims on account of J. H. & M. L. Kinard, recommending non-concurrence, and that the account be paid from the contingent account of the State Auditor.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was adopted, and the account returned to the Senate.

Also, reported back the account of Commissioners and Managers of special election in Chester County, in 1871, and recommended they be paid, except claim of \$9.80 of Andrew Pagan, for services as Manager in 1870.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following:

Reports of County Commissioners of Fairfield, Marion, Lexington, Charleston, Beaufort, Pickens, Anderson and Sumter Counties, and recommended that they be received as information.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

A Bill (favorable) to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same, with the following amendments:

Strike out, on the fourth line, after the word "of," the word "eight," and insert in place thereof the word "six." Strike out Section 3 and insert in place thereof, "SEC. 3. That no bond shall be negotiated under the provisions of this Act, except through some banking house in the city of Columbia, which shall constitute the financial Agency for the sale or negotiation of said bonds; said bank to be designated by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City Council: *Provided*, That all such sales and negotiations shall be conducted in accordance with such rules and regulations as the City Council may prescribe." On the sixth line of Section 5, strike out, after the word "taxation" the words "by the State or by the said Mayor and Aldermen," and insert the words "by the said City Council of Columbia."

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for a Sinking Fund, and the management of the same;"

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the payment of certain costs accrued on lands sold by County Treasurers, at delinquent tax sales, and purchased by the State;

Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the Comptroller General to draw warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of C. Werner, when certain requirements are fulfilled;

Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the widow of Somerfield Montgomery two hundred and fifty dollars;

Joint Resolution (favorable) to pay to W. M. Thomas, Judge Sixth Judicial Circuit, the amount of salary appropriated for Judge of Second Circuit, with the following amendment:

Strike out the words, on the eighth line, after the word "Circuit," "the amount of salary appropriated at the last session of the General

Assembly for the Judge of the Second Circuit, which accrued from the death of Judge Platt to the time of the commissioning of Judge Farmer," and substitute, in the place thereof, the words, "the sum of five hundred dollars."

Joint Resolution (favorable) to compensate John T. Green, Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, for extra services;

Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue stock of the State of South Carolina;

Joint Resolution (unfavorable) to authorize the State Treasurer to pay to J. H. Leland \$105.05;

Joint Resolution (unfavorable) authorizing the payment of the claim of Henry Ware & Son;

A Bill (unfavorable) to further amend an Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property, and other Acts amendatory thereto;

A Bill (unfavorable) to make jury certificates preferred claims on the several County Treasuries;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create a debt of the State of South Carolina, to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt."

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of keeping and disbursing funds by certain officers."

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) requiring the State Treasurer to report to the General Assembly, an exhibit of all bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina, issued since September 1, 1868, and providing for his removal from office, should he fail to report, with the following amendment:

Insert, on the fourth line of Section 1, after the word "present," the words "under oath;" strike out all the words after the word "converted," on the tenth line of Section 1, and insert, "*And be it further resolved, That on a failure on the part of the State Treasurer to make said report, as hereby provided, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed two thousand dollars, and imprisonment not to exceed six months, or both, and shall be thereafter deemed ineligible to hold any office of public trust or emolument.*"

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Treasurer to purchase a set of fire and burglary proof doors for the vaults in his office;

A Senate Joint Resolution (unfavorable) authorizing the Sterling Loan Fund Commission to secure the possession of the bonds of the State of South Carolina, known as the Sterling Funded Debt Bonds, and place the same in the charge of the Secretary of State, for safe keeping;

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the salary of the late Judge Platt, to his widow.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills and Joint Resolutions.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. SIMONS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back the accounts of M. H. Berry, M. J. Calnan and others, and recommended that the same be paid.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the further consideration of the report was postponed until to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, made the following report:

The Committee on Enrolled Acts beg leave to report that they have delivered to His Excellency the Governor, this day, the following Acts for approval:

An Act authorizing E. F. English to build a dock and collect wharfage at Port Royal City;

An Act to renew the charter of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company, of Columbia;

An Act to empower the Judges of the Probate Court, in their respective Counties, to issue executions;

An Act to regulate the granting of divorces;

An Act to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Council, No. 1, of Georgetown, South Carolina;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterboro Male Academy;"

An Act to amend an Act (No. 382) entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section No. 36 of said Act, relating to the incorporation of the town of Wrightsville, passed at the regular session of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, 1870-'71;

An Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted;"

An Act to incorporate the Walboo Wharf Company;

An Act to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston, South Carolina;

An Act to incorporate the Scott Rifle Guards, of Sumter;

An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers in the State of South Carolina;

An Act to charter the town of Belton, in the County of Anderson, South Carolina ;

Joint Resolution authorizing J. A. Mayes, executor of the estate of James McBride, deceased, to sell certain lands and apply the proceeds thereof to the education of the minor heirs ;

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certificate of State stock to R. S. Porcher ;

An Act to alter and amend an Act to organize and govern the militia of the State of South Carolina.

The report was received as information.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Columbia ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Brothers' Association, of Charleston, South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

The SPEAKER presented the protest of citizens of Chesterfield against Bill to incorporate the town of Chesterfield.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Savings' Bank, of Aiken.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

A Bill to apportion the members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of this State, according to their population.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish a public road in Aiken County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. WHIPPER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to provide for the assessment and taxation of property."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to extend the limits of the town of Beaufort.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Joint Resolution to relieve the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BYAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Orangeburg.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. NEHEMIAS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to regulate the pay of the members of the General Assembly.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. S. GREENE, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Horse Railroad Company, in the town and County of Beaufort.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. HURLEY presented the memorial of certain citizens, protesting against the repeal of the fence laws.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, memorial of the City Board of School Commissioners of Charleston County, praying payment of arrears due teachers.

Referred to the Committees on Education and Ways and Means, jointly.

Mr. A. SMITH presented the account of Charles Campbell, for services as State Constable in St. James' Santee, in 1869.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. LEVY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to define the powers and duties of clerks of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace.

Also,

A Bill to renew the charter of Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Deutscher Bruderlicher Bund, of the city of Charleston.

Mr. LOGAN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' and Mechanics' Steamboat Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BOSEMON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the "Charleston Homestead Association."

Mr. HUNTER, by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Auditor and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. J. P. SINGLETON presented the Presentment of the Grand Jury of Chesterfield County.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CRITTENDEN presented the Presentment of the Grand Jury of Greenville County, January Term, 1872.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GAITHER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act relating to gambling."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. SELLERS presented the account of Sarah Maffett, teacher of free school, Newberry County.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. WALLACE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the St. Peters' A. M. E. Church, of Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. JAMISON moved to reconsider the vote whereby the enacting clause of a Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot in the city of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, on certain conditions." Agreed to.

Mr. GOODSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Traction Steam Engine Company, of Columbia.

Mr. MOBLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to protect laborers when improving the lands or premises of their employers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Labor and Agriculture. jointly.

Mr. GILES gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act to provide for the construction and the keeping in repair of public highways and roads.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with concurrence,

A concurrent resolution to authorize the Clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives to issue pay certificates to members of the General Assembly, subordinate officers and employees, from January 5, to February 16, 1872, inclusive.

Also, sent the following:

A Bill to require the County Commissioners to remove imbeciles from the Lunatic Asylum to their respective County poor houses.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a Quarantine at Georgetown, Charleston and Hilton Head.

Read the first time, and referred to the Medical Committee and Committee on Commerce, jointly.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to exempt the keepers, employees and other officers of the South Carolina Penitentiary and Lunatic Asylum from military and other duties.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and keeping in repair of public highways and roads" was taken up.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message was sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Claflin University and the State Agricultural College, of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. GOODSON moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 58; nays, 35. Agreed to, and a message was sent to the Senate.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Barker, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, James Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Johnson,

Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, Sumpter, Taylor, Wm. M. Thomas, Thompson, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—58.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, Crews, Dannerly, Ellison, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Lang. Littlefield, Maddocks, Mickey, Myers, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Talbert, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace and Whipper.—35.

Mr. JAMISON moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. JONES moved to lay the motion on the table. Agreed to.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 8.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, COLUMBIA, January 31, 1872.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following:

An Act to regulate the granting of divorces;

An Act to renew the charter of the Palmetto Fire Engine Company, of Columbia;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Walterboro Male Academy;"

An Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate certain towns and villages, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted;"

An Act to incorporate the Walboo Wharf Company;

An Act to incorporate the Scott Rifle Guards, of Sumter;

An Act to charter the town of Belton, in the County of Anderson, and State of South Carolina;

An Act authorizing E. F. English to build a dock and collect wharfage at Port Royal City;

An Act to empower the Judges of the Probate Court, in their respective Counties, to issue executions;

An Act to incorporate the Young Men's Free Enterprise Council, No. 1, of Georgetown, S. C.;

An Act to amend an Act (No. 382) entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," commencing with Section 36 of said Act, relating to the incorporation of the town of Wrightsville, passed at the regular session of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, 1870-'71;

Joint Resolution authorizing J. A. Mayes, executor of the estate of James McBride, deceased, to sell certain lands, and apply the proceeds thereof to the education of the minor heirs;

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certificates of State stock to R. S. Porcher.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) .

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

A Bill to define and provide for estrays, and to repeal sundry Acts in reference to fences, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 61; nays, 22. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, Everidge Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Lang, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Wm. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Whipper, Williams and Yocom.—61.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Andell, Briggs, Crittenden, Dusenbury, Farr, Frost, Gantt, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Lee, Lloyd, Mead, Nehemias, Shanklin, Sumpter, Taylor, White, Wilson and Wofford.—22.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to regulate the issuing of checks by planters to employees on plantations.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 1, by adding, after the last

word in the Section, the words, " unless such laborers or employees agree in advance to take payment in checks."

On motion of Mr. JONES, the amendment was indefinitely postponed.

On the question of passing Section 2 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 54 ; nays, 18. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs Adamson, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen. Bowley, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, J. Davis, Elliott, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Glover, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Jones, Lee, Littlefield, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper and Wofford.—54.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Crittenden, Derrick, Farr, Giles, Goggins, Holmes, Jamison, Lang, Miles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Talbert, Williams and Wilson.—18.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

At the hour of 3 P. M. the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 17.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 30, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that the consid-

eration of a Bill from your House entitled "A Bill to incorporate the Randolph Enterprise Association, of Charleston, S. C.," has been indefinitely postponed in the Senate.

(Signed) Very respectfully,

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 18.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., January 31, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that the consideration of a Joint Resolution from your House entitled "Joint Resolution to authorize Wm. B. Anderson to practice as a Veterinary Surgeon," has been indefinitely postponed in the Senate.

(Signed) Very respectfully,

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

The unfinished business of January 30, being the consideration of a Senate Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to construct a jail at Blackville, the County seat, was resumed.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the vote whereby Section 3 passed to a third reading was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, Section 3 was amended by adding, after the last word in the Section, the following :

"And provided further, That part of the County of Barnwell which, with portions of the Counties of Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, now forming the County of Aiken, shall not be liable, in any way, for any debts contracted in building a jail at Blackville, in accordance with the provisions of this Act."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. SMART, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following :

A Bill (unfavorable) to require juries in criminal cases to be kept in charge of the Sheriffs, or their deputies, until they have rendered their verdicts into Court ;

A Bill (favorable) to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the Rules, Practice, Pleadings and Forms of the Courts in this State ;"

A Bill (favorable) authorizing James C. Thompson and wife, Elizabeth Thompson, to adopt the child of Mary Couch, give it the name of James Lawrence Orr Thompson, and make it their heir ;

A Bill (unfavorable) to define and regulate the jurisdiction of the Police Court, of the city of Charleston ;

A Bill (unfavorable) to regulate the responsibility of persons holding collaterals as security for loans.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. YOCOM, from the Committee on Penitentiary, reported back a Bill to regulate the labor of persons confined in the Penitentiary of the State of South Carolina, which had been amended in the Senate, and returned for concurrence, and recommended that the House concur in the Senate amendments.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, reported back accounts of J. M. Wilder, Sheriff of Sumter County ; Isaac Boles, Sheriff of Edgefield County ; W. P. Gill, Sheriff of Chester County ; F. W. Green, Sheriff of Richland County ; John Nabers, Sheriff of Laurens County, for furnishing copies of tax lists under General Orders No. 116, Second Military District, and recommended that they be paid.

On motion of Mr. RAMSAY, the report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Special Committee comprising the Charleston Delegation, reported back a Bill (by Mr. Bowen) to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, and recommended that the Bill do pass.

Also reported back two Bills of similar title, and recommended that they be laid over for consideration with Bill (by Mr. Bowen.)

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

Mr. JERVEY moved to make the consideration of the whole matter the Special Order for Monday, February 5, at 1:30 P. M. Agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Consideration of the report of Committee on Contingent Accounts on accounts of M. J. Calnan and others.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was adopted, and the accounts ordered to be paid.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. GOGGINS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend so much of Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners, as relates to the County of Abbeville.'" "

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. WILSON presented the petition of sundry citizens of Anderson County, protesting against the formation of a new County from portions of Anderson, Abbeville, Laurens and Greenville Counties.

Referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. LEVY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Also, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to define the powers and duties of Clerks of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Deutscher Bruderlicher Bund, of the city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company.

Mr. JERVEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Mr. HUNTER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for a general license law.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. YOCOM, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to protect the people of the State of South Carolina against the illegal and fraudulent issue of bonds and securities, and for other purposes connected with the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. COUSART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to restrain Sheriffs from the sale of County property, under certain circumstances.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. GOODSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Traction Steam Engine Company, of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. RAMSAY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for the punishment of children under the age of sixteen years.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same.

Mr. MOBLEY gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to lay out a new road, from Union Court House to Cross Key Bridge, in Union County.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot, in the city of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, on certain conditions," was taken up

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. HUNTER moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the House adjourned till 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and, a quorum not answering to their names,

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 7:15 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, being the consideration of a Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot in the city of Columbia to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F., on certain conditions," was resumed.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the consideration of the Unfinished Business was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 9.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, February 2, 1872.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following:

An Act to incorporate the Enterprise Association, of Charleston, South Carolina;

An Act to regulate the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers in the State of South Carolina;

An Act to alter and amend an Act to organize and govern the militia of the State of South Carolina.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following:

A Joint Resolution (favorable) relative to the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the Joint Resolution was recommitted to the Committee.

Also, reported

A Joint Resolution (favorable) to investigate the transactions of the Financial Board and the Financial Agent of the State in New York, with amendment to strike out all the words after the word "investigation," in forty-fifth line.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back ,

A Bill (favorable) to establish an inferior Court, for the trial of criminal cases, in the County of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. GARDNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, of Aiken, S. C.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HEDGES, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to regulate pilotage at the ports of Charleston, Beaufort and Georgetown.

On motion of Mr. FERGUSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, from the Committee on State House and Grounds, reported back

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Librarian to repair the lower floor of the State House.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. CREWS, from the Committee on Internal Improvements, reported back

A Senate Bill authorizing the Town Council of the town of Newberry to erect a market house on a lot of land belonging to the County of Newberry, accompanied by a substitute, entitled "A Bill authorizing the

Town Council of the town of Newberry to erect a market house on a lot of land belonging to the County of Newberry."

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill and substitute.

The Bill and substitute were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading,

A Bill to regulate the issuing of checks by planters to employees on plantations.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the title of the Bill was amended by striking out the word "regulate," and inserting the word "prevent."

Mr. HOLMES moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS moved to indefinitely postpone the motion.

On this, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 76; nays, 16. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White and Yocom.—76.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Briggs, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Hart, Holmes, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Milton, Reedish, Sellers, Sullivan, Taylor and Wilson.—16.

On the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 70; nays, 22. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Cousart, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Samuel Greene, John A. Green, James N. Hayne, Hedges,

Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervay, Jones, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White and Yocom.—70.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Bowen, Crews, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Giles, Goggins, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Jackson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Milton, Sellers, Sullivan, Taylor, J. W. Thomas and Wilson.—22.

Also, reported the following:

A Bill to authorize the erection of a certain bridge over Wateree River;

A Bill to provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new court house;

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Charleston County to place a flat at Bonneau Ferry.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Carolina Oil Company.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, the title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

• The Senate sent to this House

A Bill to authorize the erection of a certain bridge over the Wateree River.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

• Mr. LEVY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company.

• Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures, and Agriculture, jointly.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Senate Bill to punish persons engaged in the business of lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the consideration of the Special Order was discharged, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, February 7, at 2 P. M.

Mr. LEE introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered :

Resolved, That on and after Monday, the 5th of February, this House meet at 11 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 3 o'clock P. M., and that the action of the House, whereby they agreed to hold two sessions per day, be, and the same is hereby, rescinded.

On the question of adopting the resolution,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 74; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Barker, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervoy, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Small, Smart, Sullivan, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, Wilson and Yocom.—74.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Cousart, Dannerly, Goodson, S. Greene, J. N. Hayne, Jamison, Jones, Nehemias, Nerland, A. L. Singleton and Sumpter.—14.

Mr. BARKER, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to lease the State Road, running from the County of Greenville, in this State, across the Saluda Mountain, to the County of Henderson, in North Carolina.' "

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. JONES, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill conferring upon County Commissioners certain powers in relation to the license and sale of spirituous liquors.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. MOBLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to lay out a new public highway from Union Court House to Cross Key Bridge, in Union County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to repeal an Act, passed at the regular session of 1870-'71, known as the Sinking Fund.

Also, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to regulate the publication of legal notices and official advertisements in the respective Counties of the State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Printing.

Mr. WALLACE introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Committee on Ways and Means be instructed to report back a Bill to regulate weights, scales and measures.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Hunter) to strike out the enacting clause, was resumed, (Mr. Byas having the floor.)

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot in the city of Columbia to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F., on certain conditions," was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Hunter) to strike out the enacting clause, was resumed.

On this Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 47 ; nays, 27. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Wallace, Warley and White.—47.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bass, Bowen, Briggs, Crews, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Farr, Frost, Giles, C. D. Hayne, Hurley, Jamison, Jervay, Keith, Kennedy, Levy, Miles, Pendergrass, Perry, Shanklin, Sullivan, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wilson and Yocom.—27.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

We voted "No," on the Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant the use of a vacant lot, in the city of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, on certain conditions," for the following reasons :

First. Because the National Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows does not admit within their organization colored men, no matter what their ability of mental culture may be; and we deem it an exclusion, contrary to the principle and spirit of that glorious declaration made by the forefathers of this great Union, that all men were born free and equal. and that it would be more than could be expected from human nature to give substance and support to a measure that would ultimately work so as to oppress them.

Secondly. A system of school proposed in this Bill would likewise be of a nature to oppress, and would foster a spirit which would not only be detrimental to us, but to our posterity yet unborn.

(Signed)

BENJ. BYAS,
H. H. HUNTER,
W. H. JONES,
SAMUEL J. LEE.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on County Offices and Officers, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to amend Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to

define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners," as relates to the County of Abbeville;

A Bill (unfavorable) conferring upon the County Commissioners certain powers in relation to the license and sale of spirituous liquors;

A Bill to compel certain County officers to report to the Judge of the Circuit Courts of their respective Counties, accompanied by a substitute. entitled "A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners to examine the books and other papers in the offices of the County Auditor and Treasurer."

The substitute was adopted.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. BOWEN gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize and empower Henry C. Lancaster, Smith Howe and Henry A. Towles, to establish a wharf at the Facker Plantation, at or near Church Flats, on the Stono River, and to establish a ferry at that point across said river.

Mr. YOCOM introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Whereas, it is currently reported that the interest on the State debt, due January 1, 1872, has been paid, in part:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the State Treasurer, be requested and required to immediately report to this General Assembly, whether such interest on State debt has been paid in part, or otherwise; if in part, what amount.

Mr. MILTON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to change the name of Bowen McFadden to Bowen McKnight.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. HUMBERT, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Florence, Bennettsville and Fayetteville Railroad.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. GAREY introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration on Monday next :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of three on the part of the House, and ——— on the part of the Senate, be appointed to wait on the State Treasurer, and ascertain from him the amount of moneys received and paid in by the County Treasurers of their respective Counties, and the manner in which the same has been disbursed.

Mr. BASS gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the town of Minneola, in Horry County.

Mr. THOMPSON, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Young Men's Union Star Club, of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. CREWS gave notice that, on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to amend an Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property, and other Acts amendatory thereto.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. RAMSAY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide a place for the punishment of children under the age of sixteen years.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. FROST gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to provide for a uniform system of school records.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on Monday next, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize the Columbia Water Power Company to construct a dam across the Congaree River, at Columbia.

Mr. WHITE introduced

A Joint Resolution in reference to State lands.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE. •

The Senate sent to this House,

A concurrent resolution to authorize the State Auditor to purchase the Spartanburg and Union Railroad on certain conditions.

The resolution was considered, and, on motion of Mr. HURLEY, referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of Armstrong's Ford Road, in said County, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNELL, Section 1 was amended, on line two, by inserting after the word "authorized," the word "required."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same," approved March 1, 1870, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment proposed by the Committee, to strike out Section 1, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNELL, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Tuesday, February 6, at 2 P. M.

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Augusta Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The substitute recommended by the Committee for Section 1 was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. DUNCAN, Section 2 was amended by inserting on line eleven, the name "Dr. J. A. Miller."

Mr. CREWS moved to further amend Section 2 by striking out, on the fourth line, the names "Samuel R. Todd, J. Wister Simpson, C. P. Sullivan," and inserting the names "Y. J. P. Owens, J. W. Fowler." Adopted.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the amendment was amended by adding, after the name "J. W. Fowler," the name "Joseph Crews."

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, Section 2 was further amended by adding, after the name "Griffin," on sixth line, the name "P. R. Rivers."

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, Section 2 was furthe

adding, after the name "Spartanburg," on ninth line, the names "R. B. Elliott, C. D. Hayne, E. Ferguson, J. S. Shuck."

Section 6 was passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the business before the House was suspended.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER the Rule requiring the House to adjourn at 3 P. M. was suspended temporarily.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the vote whereby a Senate concurrent resolution to authorize the State Auditor to purchase the Spartanburg and Union Railroad on certain conditions, had been referred to the Committee on Railroads, was reconsidered.

The concurrent resolution was taken up, concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

The House then, at 3:30 P. M., adjourned till Monday next, at 11 A. M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 11 A. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of Saturday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Augusta Railroad Company, was resumed.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 7, was continued.

The amendment proposed by the Committee, to amend the title and preamble of the Bill, by striking out the word "Augusta," and inserting the word "Aiken," was adopted.

On motion of Mr. L. CAIN, the vote whereby Section 1 was passed to a third reading was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. L. CAIN, Section 1 was amended by striking out, on the fourth line, the words "village of Aiken," and inserting the words "town of Hamburg."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1872.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 10.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, February 5, 1872.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following :

An Act to make appropriation for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars to the County of Abbeville, to be used in building a Court House for said County, in the town of Abbeville.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. GARDNER, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to exempt the keepers, employees and other officers of the South Carolina Penitentiary and Lunatic Asylum from military and other duties.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to encourage the rebuilding of the waste places in the city of Charleston, to make employment for the mechanics and laboring people, and for other purposes, with the following amendment :

By striking out, in Section 1, the words "waste places or burnt premises," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "in that portion of the city destroyed by the conflagration of December, 1861."

By adding after the word "County," in Section 2, "on any improvements or buildings."

A Senate Bill (favorable) to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland, with amendment, by striking out the word "fifteen," in Section 1, and inserting the word "thirty."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. SMART, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries."

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. BOWEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize and empower Henry C. Lancaster, Smith Howe and Henry N. Towles to establish a wharf at Facker plantation, at or near Church Flats, on the Stono River, and to establish a ferry at that point, across said river.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. JERVEY, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to amend Section 27½ of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BOSEMON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Association, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Also, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Homestead Association.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. HOLMES introduced the following resolution, which was considered immediately, and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Railroads be, and they are hereby instructed to report on Senate Bill entitled "An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad on Wednesday, February 8, 1872; also, a Bill relating to the Columbia, Cheraw and Augusta Railroad; also, a Bill to regulate the tariffs on railroads in this State.

Mr. L. CAIN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill compelling Representatives to reside in the County from which they were elected.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. CRITTENDEN, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to permit James McCullough to adopt, change the name of, and make his lawful heir, Joseph Allen Stepp.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GAREY introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Chairmen of the several Committees report on all Bills now in their possession by Monday, February 12.

Mr. HUDSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill empowering the County Commissioners to lay out a public road in Lancaster.

Mr. GOODSON gave notice that on to-morrow, or on some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to open a road from McCord's Ferry Road to Gadsden, Richland County.

Mr. FROST, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for a uniform system of school records.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. O'CONNELL introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered, and adopted :

Resolved, That the consideration of the Bills on the Calendar, concerning the incorporation of towns and villages, be made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A Bill to abolish the office of State Auditor, and confer the duties of his office upon the Comptroller General.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to revive and renew the charter and corporate privileges of the Trustees of the Bennettsville Academical Society.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to extend the limits of the town of Camden."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of Erskine College, at Due West, in Abbeville County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to provide for the speedy apportionment of the State appropriations made for the support and maintenance of Free Common Schools.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committees on Education and Ways and Means, jointly.

A Bill to charter the State Savings and Insurance Bank, of Anderson, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 19.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 5, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of a Bill from your House, entitled "A Bill to provide for the election of County Treasurers and Auditors."

Very respectfully,

C. W. MONTGOMERY,

President of the Senate *pro tem.*

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution to investigate the transactions of the Financial Board, and the Financial Agent of the State, in the city of New York, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

The amendment proposed by the Committee to Section 1 was considered.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The consideration of the Joint Resolution was resumed.

Mr. THOMPSON moved to strike out the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution.

On this, Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 40 ; nays, 38. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bryan, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, James Davis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Hudson, Humphries, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, W. M. Thomas and Thompson.—40.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Everidge Cain, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Ford, Frost, Giles, Glover, C. D. Haye, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Kennedy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, Mead, O'Connell, Perry, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Whipper, White, Wilson and Yocom.—38.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

We, the undersigned, voted "yes" on the motion to strike out the resolving clause of a Joint Resolution to investigate the transactions of the Financial Board, and the Financial Agent of the State, in the city of New York, because investigating Committees have been appointed ever since the Special Session of 1868, and up to the present time no benefit has been derived therefrom. In view of this fact, and believing, as we do, that this scheme was intended to allow certain parties to draw from an already nearly exhausted Treasury forty or fifty thousand dollars for nothing, we could not, conscientiously, cast our votes for the adoption of such a measure.

(Signed)

LAWRENCE CAIN,
DAVID HARRIS,
P. R. RIVERS.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1:30 P. M. was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. LEE moved to amend Section 1 by striking out all the words

after the word "that," in the third line, to the word "Police," in fourth line, and inserting the word "three;" also, by inserting, after the word "district," in the fourth and fifth lines, the words "shall be elected by the General Assembly on joint ballot."

Mr. R. M. SMITH moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, (Mr. Jervey having the floor,) pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till tomorrow, at 11 A. M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1872

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 11 A. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Monday was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of Monday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, was taken up.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. R. M. Smith) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Consideration of Bills on the Calendar relative to incorporations.

On motion of Mr. PERRY, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business previously before the House.

The consideration of the motion to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, was resumed.

Pending further debate, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1872.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the General Elections, and the manner of conducting the same."

On motion of Mr. ELLIOTT, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the further consideration of the business before the House.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 20.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 6, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that a concurrent resolution from your House relative to the appointment of a Special Committee to investigate certain matters connected with the treatment of a prisoner in the South Carolina Penitentiary, has been laid on the table in the Senate.

Very respectfully,
(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 21.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 6, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed a Bill from your House entitled "A Bill to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Sumter County to establish a road in said County."

Very respectfully,
(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 22.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 6, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that a Bill from your House entitled "A Bill to authorize Probate Judges to perform

certain duties heretofore performed by Commissioners in Equity, as defined on the first day of January, A. D. 1869," has been laid on the table in the Senate.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

The Senate also sent to this House

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property," passed December 15, 1866, and all Acts amendatory thereto.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Logan obtained leave of absence for ten days,

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 11.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, February 6, 1872.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

Several subjects, of both local and general importance to the citizens of this State, have been brought to my attention, which were not treated of in my Annual Message, and which seriously affect the interests of the State, among which is the anomalous condition of property in Beaufort County, held by the General Government, and the refunding of the tax collected on cotton.

In relation to the lands in Beaufort County, I beg to lay before you an extract from a communication received from citizens of that County, which gives a fair exhibit of the hardships under which they are suffering. From a large portion of the property being exempt from actual settlement, and consequently from taxation, it is unquestionably both the duty and the interest of the General Government to release their claim upon this property at once, by either selling it or restoring it to its former owners. And I believe it is only necessary for the Legislature to express a decided opinion on the subject to induce our Representatives in Congress to take immediate action.

The property of many persons who were innocent of any actual participation in the war, but who were placed in apparent antagonism to the

Government by their surroundings, has been sold; and I would earnestly recommend that where the title has not passed from the Government, that their property be restored to them on the payment of the taxes, &c., and where the title has passed out of the control of the Government, that the money arising from the sale, after deducting the taxes, be paid to the former owners. I deem the following extract from the communication all that is necessary to impress you with the importance of the subject:

“The attention of the Legislature should be called to the fact that one-fifth (in value) of the real property of the County of Beaufort is now in possession of the United States, and, therefore, not subject to taxation. The title to this property was acquired by the Federal Government by means of the various sales made by the United States Direct Tax Commissioners, in years 1863-’64-’65-’66, at which time the whole of the Parish of St. Helena was sold by the United States for delinquent taxes. There yet remains in the hands of the Government about 1,500 pieces of property, varying in size from 5 acres to 1,600 acres, besides more than 100 lots in the town of Beaufort. A Bill has been prepared by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, in whose hands this property now is, and it is now before Congress. This Bill provides for the speedy sale of all the interests of the Government in Beaufort County. It also provides for an equitable distribution of the fund accruing to the United States Treasury, from this and previous sales, among those whose property was seized and sold, deducting the amount of tax due and penalty.

“The longer continuance of the occupation of these lands by the General Government will be a serious and insurmountable obstacle to the prosperity of the country. No improvement will be made upon such property. Agriculture cannot be otherwise than shiftless and slovenly when there is no personal owner. Many houses have already fallen into ruin; some have been pulled down; and all are deteriorating rapidly. The County of Beaufort is deeply in debt. If this property were subject to taxation, it would produce enough to pay the interest on bonds, and provide a sinking fund for its early extinguishment. While there may be differences of opinion as to the best way to remedy the evils indicated, there is no doubt that any settlement is better than the present anomalous condition of affairs. Our Senator ought to be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to give this matter their earnest and immediate attention.”

I also beg to call your attention to the accompanying documents from the Chamber of Commerce of the cities of Charleston and Memphis, in relation to the special tax on cotton, collected by the United States Gov-

ernment during the years 1865-'66 and '67, immediately succeeding the rebellion.

This collection of taxes from one of the principal staples that adds largely to the wealth of the country, under ordinary circumstances, I would have regarded as an oppressive and improper discrimination against the cotton growing interests, and, at the time it was collected, it was unquestionably oppressive upon those who were compelled to pay it. I will not enter into a discussion of the justice or injustice of the measure, nor am I disposed to question the constitutionality of the regulation under which it was collected, but will simply urge the propriety of memorializing Congress to return to the several States from which it was collected, the revenue derived as special tax on cotton, believing that the General Government, when it properly appreciates the hardships suffered by the people of those States, will not stop to consider the cause, but will exhibit the same magnanimity in this that it has in other acts towards our people, in tending towards fostering the growth of one of the most important agricultural products of the United States.

[See papers accompanying this Message in Reports and Resolutions, Regular Session of 1871-'72.]

I desire to call your attention to the fact that, during the past four years, there has been a deficiency in the collection of the revenue amounting, in the aggregate, to \$1,137,457.51, which amount has been provided by the State Treasurer by drafts on the Financial Agent in New York, and from other sources.

The Constitution of the State provides, Article IX, Section 3, as follows:

"The General Assembly shall provide for an annual tax, sufficient to defray the estimated expenses of the State for each year, and, whenever it shall happen that such ordinary expenses of the State for any year shall exceed the income of the State for such year, the General Assembly shall provide for levying a tax for the ensuing year, sufficient, with other sources of income, to pay the deficiency of the preceding year, together with the estimated expenses of the ensuing year."

The deficit, in meeting the expenses of the State Government during this period, has not been provided for as required by the Constitution. This failure to comply therewith has been the primary cause of our financial embarrassment, and to delay longer to discharge this public duty, from fear of a complaint on the part of the taxpayer, is only to increase the financial embarrassment, while it will in no way lessen the complaint of high taxation.

Long experience should have convinced the General Assembly that the complaint is not regulated by the rate per cent. levied upon the taxable property of the State. For, in the year 1870, when the entire tax

for State purposes was but five mills on the dollar's valuation of taxable property, the complaints were as loud and earnest as though it had been five times that amount. The failure to levy such a fair rate of tax as will cover deficiencies and meet the future legitimate current expenses of the State Government, together with a sufficient amount to pay the interest on the public debt, amounting to \$11,994,908.98, (the last item alone requiring about four mills on the dollar,) must produce discontentment and continued embarrassment.

In addition to the above, there will be a deficiency for the present fiscal year, the amount of which should be determined at once by the Committee on Ways and Means.

I would, therefore, earnestly recommend that this subject be acted upon at once, and the necessary means provided by proper legislation.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

The Message and accompanying documents were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Pending the further consideration of the unfinished business, (Mr. Jones having the floor,) at 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till to-morrow at 11 A. M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 11 A. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. R. M. Smith) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Senate Bill to punish persons engaged in the business of lotteries and sale of lottery tickets.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business previously before the House.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

After further debate, Mr. LLOYD called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question of striking out the enacting clause,

Mr. R. M. SMITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 69 ; nays, 21. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehe-mias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—69.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bowen, Byas, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Glover, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hunter, Jervay, Lee, Littlefield, Lloyd, Mickey, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith and Tarlton.—21.

The hour of 3 P. M. having arrived, the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 A. M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 11 A. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business, being the consideration of a Senate Bill to

amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the General Elections, and the manner of conducting the same," was resumed.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the consideration of the Unfinished Business was suspended until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SMART, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following:

A Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act relating to gambling ;"

A Bill (favorable) to divide the State into five Congressional Districts.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back the following:

A Senate Bill (favorable) to revive and renew the charter and corporate privileges of the Trustees of the Bennettsville Academical Society ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of Erskine College, at Due West, in Abbeville County, S. C. ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to prevent certain officers from buying, discounting or shaving teachers' pay certificates or other orders on school funds ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to provide for the speedy apportionment of State appropriations, made for the support and maintenance of free common schools ;

A Bill (favorable) to provide for a uniform system of school records ;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools for the State of South Carolina ;' "

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools for the State of South Carolina."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, the accounts of Mrs. Sarah Moffett, Newberry County, Mrs. Lizzie Hutchison, Abbeville County, Mrs. Nancy A. Clyburn, Lancaster County, for services as school teachers, and recommended that they be referred to the school authorities of their Counties.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. SIMONS, from the Joint Committee on Lunatic Asylum and Medical Affairs, reported back the following :

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) to grant to the Governor the power to fill vacancies occurring in the Board of Regents of the Lunatic Asylum ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to require the County Commissioners to remove imbeciles from the Lunatic Asylum to their respective County poor houses, with the following amendment :

Insert, on line 6 of Section 1, after the word "Asylum," "upon due notice from the Superintendent to the said County Commissioners as to the number of imbeciles contained in the Institution from their respective Counties."

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution and Bill.

The Joint Resolution and Bill were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of the town of Blackville ;

A Bill (favorable) to renew the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Charleston Beef and Pork Packing Association, of Charleston ;

A Bill (favorable) to extend the limits of the town of Beaufort ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, S. C. ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Planters' and Mechanics' Steamboat Company, of Charleston County ;

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading,

A Senate Bill to require the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to construct a jail at Blackville, the County seat.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Bill to create a Board of Examiners, to define their powers and duties, and to impose certain duties upon the Comptroller and Treasurer.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to authorize the formation of, and incorporation of, the Spartanburg and Aiken Railroad Company.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill till to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the motion.

On this, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 62 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—62.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Jas. Davis, Farr, Gaither, Goodson, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Milton, Mobley, Nehemias, Perry, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and Warley.—29.

The Bill was read the third time, and, on the question of passing the Bill and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 52 ; nays, 33. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Glover, Goggins, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Litchfield,

Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Perry, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—52.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Byas, Dannerly, J. Davis, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Levy, Lloyd, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—33.

Mr. BYAS, from the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred sundry Constables' claims, amounting to seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty cents, reported back the same, with the recommendation that they be paid the sum of two hundred and nine dollars, as follows:

John T. Shaw, seventy-five dollars; H. S. Steele, fifty dollars; Willis Osteen and Alex. Ford, six dollars each; and the following named claimants: Andrew Carroll, August Robertson, Peter Simmons, J. W. Girardieu, James Henderson, Press Adams, Green Jones, W. H. Coleman, Oscar Cannon, Borrok Boyd, George Renard, George Starkes, Qubus Simkins, James Kennedy, Simpson Bridges, Butler Ferguson, Chas. Simpkins, Henry Kennedy, Samuel Veil, Lott Robertson, Mike Cannon, James W. Eichelberger and Toney Robinson, the sum of three dollars each, the same having only been appointed for one day, the day of election.

Also, reported back accounts of Noah Corley, J. B. C. Cousart, D. W. Christians, J. J. Jeters, H. J. Steele and John T. Shaw, for services rendered as Deputy State Constables, with the recommendation that they be not paid.

Also, reported back the account of David Knight "for building Bacon's Bridge, in Colleton County," with the recommendation that it be returned to applicant, to be paid out of the County fund.

Also, reported back the account of Messrs. Duffie and Chapman, for "fifty copies of Ramsay's History of South Carolina," amounting to two hundred and fifty (\$250) dollars; and, as they find that said claim has long since been paid, they recommend that the action of the Senate be not concurred in.

Also, reported back the account of F. J. Cassidy, for services rendered as Constable, amounting to three dollars and forty cents, with the recommendation that the same be paid.

Also, reported back the account of Wm. Gilberts, for services rendered as Constable, with the recommendation that the same be paid in full, (seventeen dollars.)

On motion of Mr. RAMSAY, the recommendations contained in the report were adopted.

Also, reported back the account of Alfred Williams, Sheriff of Beaufort County, for payment of *nulla bona* costs, with a recommendation that the same be paid.

Mr. MYERS moved that the report be adopted.

On this Mr. KEITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 63; nays, 10. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, Dennis, Ellison, Farr, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Greene, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, White and Yocom.—63.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Berry, Derrick, Humphries, Jackson, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Wilson and Wofford.—10.

Mr. HURLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back the following, and recommended that they do pass :

A Bill to charter the Horry, Marion and Rockingham Railroad;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company;"

A Bill to charter the Little River and Cheraw Railroad Company;

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Horse Railroad Company, in the town and County of Beaufort;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the Yemassee and Millen Railroad Company;"

A Bill to protect travellers on railway cars;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the King's Mountain Railroad Company;"

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company;"

A Bill to fix the rates of passenger fares on the railroads of South Carolina;

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company;

A Bill to charter the Columbia Horse Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following:

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) relating to the sinking fund;

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certain certificates of State stocks;

A Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax;

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) to authorize and require the County Commissioners of Newberry County to levy a special tax;

A Bill (favorable) to exempt the Benedict Institute from taxes;

A Bill (unfavorable) to protect the people of the State of South Carolina against illegal and fraudulent issue of bonds, and for other purposes connected with the same;

A Bill (unfavorable) to regulate scales, weights and measures, in all cities, towns and villages, in the State of South Carolina;

A Bill (unfavorable) for the protection of the poor of Colleton County;

A Joint Resolution (favorable) to relieve the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen;

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) requiring the State Treasurer to report on Tuesday of every week;

A Bill (favorable) to abrogate and sink the debt of the State of South Carolina incurred in aid of the late rebellion against the United States;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to abolish the office of State Auditor, and confer the duties of his office upon the Comptroller General;

A Bill (unfavorable) to restrain Sheriffs from the sale of County property under certain circumstances;

A Bill (favorable) to regulate the pay of the members of the General Assembly, with the following amendments:

Strike out the words, "one thousand," on the third line of Section 1, after the word "of," and insert in place thereof the words "six hundred."

Strike out all the words after the word "Assembly," on the seventh line of Section 1.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills and Joint Resolutions.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, from the Committee on Public Printing, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to regulate the publication of legal notices and official advertisements in the respective Counties of the State.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOSEMON, from the Medical Committee, reported back the following :

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a quarantine at Georgetown, Charleston and Hilton Head."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, account of Dr. S. B. Thompson, and recommended it be paid.

The report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also, account of Dr. J. M. Carr, of Georgetown, for medical services rendered indigent lunatics in said County, and recommended that the account be returned to the County Commissioners of Georgetown County, for payment.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. MICKY, from the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Red Bank Manufacturing Company, of Lexington County.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Manufacturing and Improvement Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

A Bill to incorporate the Deutscher Bruderlicher Bund, of the city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to incorporate the Springfield Baptist Church, in Greenville.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, of Smyrna, in Newberry County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A concurrent resolution relative to the Courts of the United States.

The resolution, on motion of Mr. LEE, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, returned, with concurrence, a resolution to require the State Treasurer to report to the General Assembly whether the interest on the State debt, due January 1, 1872, has been paid.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 23.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 7, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that a Bill, from your House, entitled "A Bill to prevent certain officers from dealing in certain securities or evidences of debt," has been laid on the table in the Senate.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 24.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 8, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that the consideration of a Bill from your House, entitled "A Bill to incorporate the Pawn Broking Company, of the City of Charleston," has been indefinitely postponed in the Senate.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. TALBERT, by unanimous consent, introduced the following:

A Bill to regulate peddling in this State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to incorporate the Greenwood Cemetery Company, in Abbeville County, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled an Act to establish a new judicial and election County from portions of the Counties of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DENNIS, by unanimous consent, introduced the following:

A Bill relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill relating to the Financial Agent of the State, in the city of New York.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 12.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
COLUMBIA, February 8, 1872.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the General Assembly, the report of the State Auditor in reference to the sale of the Union and Spartanburg Railroad, which he attended under directions from me, in accordance with the resolution of the General Assembly, of the third instant.

(Signed) Very respectfully,

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE,
COLUMBIA, S. C., February 6, 1872.

To His Excellency R. K. SCOTT, Governor of South Carolina:

GOVERNOR—I have the honor to report that, in compliance with instructions received from your Excellency, I proceeded to Union Court House on Monday, the 5th instant, for the purpose of protecting the interest of the State at the sale of the Spartanburg and Union Railroad, advertised to take place that day.

I was informed by your Excellency that the amount of liabilities of the State, on account of this road, was six hundred and nineteen thousand, five hundred dollars, and directed to bid to that amount. Upon the road being offered for sale, the terms were read by the Referee, Mr.

Baxter, requiring twenty-five thousand dollars to be paid in cash, and the balance to be paid in three equal semi-annual installments.

The road was bid off by myself, on account of the State, at six hundred and ten thousand dollars. Upon my tendering my warrant upon the State Treasurer to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars, it was refused, upon the ground that said warrant was not cash, and consequently the terms of sale were not complied with. The question was then asked if by cash was meant gold and silver, and the reply was, United States and National Bank notes.

The Referee proceeded with a re-sale of the property, I protesting against such action through Col. J. D. Pope, who, under your Excellency's direction, acted as my legal adviser—claiming that the property belonged to the State, and that said action on their part was illegal. Notwithstanding my protest, however, the Referee proceeded with the sale, refusing to accept my bid on behalf of the State, and the bid finally reached two hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, at which figure it hung for nearly half an hour, the auctioneer being just upon the point of striking the property off at that figure, when, at this juncture, some gentlemen, bankers at Union Court House, came to me and offered to advance twenty-five thousand dollars upon my warrant, providing that I would pay them for such advance. I had no time to consider, as the property was then called for the last time, but, acting upon the legal advice of Col. J. D. Pope, stated to the Referee that I would raise the required amount, and he accepted my bid. Meanwhile, in consulting with the gentlemen who had offered to make the necessary advance for me to prevent the sacrifice of the interests of the State, I found that their terms did not present a very flattering prospect for the interests which I represented—they requiring a bonus of ten thousand dollars for the use of the required twenty-five thousand dollars for twenty-four hours.

These very modest and moderate terms I of course rejected, and upon the road being struck off to the State for the second time, at four hundred and forty thousand dollars, I was obliged to say that the gentlemen who had offered to advance the necessary funds had refused to do so.

The property was now put up for the third time for sale, and was finally stricken off to H. G. Worthington, for the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Upon the adjustment of the settlement on account of this purchase—both Col. Pope and myself attending—Mr. Worthington tendered two certified checks, amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars, upon banks in this city, which were accepted, both Col. Pope and myself protesting, and claiming that such action was no more cash payment than was the warrant which I had tendered.

I would say, in closing, that Col. J. D. Pope, to whom I am under many obligations for the interest which he exhibited, and the advice which he gave me in this matter, expressed himself to me as satisfied that it is in the power of the State to set aside this sale: firstly, upon the ground that there is no legal right by which the State can be required to pay any amount of money in cash in excess of the bill of costs, which must be made out and presented; second, that the warrant which I tendered, and which was refused, was as much cash, under the law, as the certified checks which were received.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
EDWIN F. GARY, State Auditor.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to refer the Message and accompanying document to the Committee on Railroads, with instructions to report on Monday, February 12, at 1 P. M.

On this Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 52; nays, 20. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Crews, Doyle, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, White, Williams and Wilson.—52.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Berry, E. Cain, Dannerly, Derrick, Ellison, Goggins, Harris, Jackson, Jamison, Litchfield, Miles, Ramsay, Sellers, Abraham Smith, Talbert, Wallace, Warley and Yocom.—20.

Mr. HUNTER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will introduce

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to vest in Toney Stafford the charter of a Ferry from Dill's Bluff, on James Island, to the city of Charleston."

Mr. A. SMITH, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced the following:

A Bill to compel the County Treasurers to receive checks, orders and other certificates of County indebtedness for County taxes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to incorporate the Salem Presbyterian Church, of Wadmalaw Island, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. LEE, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. MOORE introduced

A Joint Resolution compelling the School Commissioner of Fairfield County to establish certain schools.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Clerk of the Court of Fairfield County to sell a tract of land, containing two hundred acres, belonging to the State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. BOSEMON gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, of the State of South Carolina, and the subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction.

Also, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Auditor to remit certain taxes in favor of the Policy Holders' Life and Tontine Assurance Company, of the South.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. GAITHER gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to authorize the Land Commissioner to issue titles to actual settlers in Kershaw County.

Mr. BASS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the town of Minneola, in Horry County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. HENDERSON introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered :

Whereas, a communication has been received in one branch of the General Assembly, that there is an amount of pay certificates outstanding against the State Treasury of this State, amounting to one hundred and ten thousand dollars, issued as pay for services rendered by members, subordinates and attachees of the General Assembly of '70 and '71 ; and, whereas, the same communication recommends an enormous appropria-

tion to meet the expenses of the present General Assembly; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of three, on the part of the House, and —, on the part of the Senate, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to visit the banks and banking institutions of this city, and to take such other steps that they may deem expedient and necessary to ascertain the full amount of certificates now outstanding against the State Treasury Department, said Committee to have power to send for persons and papers, and to report to the General Assembly on or before the 12th instant.

Mr. LEE moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On this, Mr. KEITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 59; nays, 8. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Briggs, Crews, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Ellison, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Harris, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Wailey, Wilson and Yocom.—59.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Boston, Byas, Dannerly, Keith, Lang, Sellers, Small and J. W. Thomas.—8.

Mr. BOSTON presented the account of the Commissioners and Managers of Election for Newberry County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Also, introduced

A Joint Resolution appropriating \$150 out of the poll tax collected in Newberry County, for the purpose of furnishing desks in the Hoge School.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committees on Education and Ways and Means, jointly.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M. was suspended for this day.

Mr. JAMISON, by unanimous consent, introduced

A Bill to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of members of the General Assembly, salaries of subordinate officers and employees.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to abolish the office of Financial Agent of this State.

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the Columbia Water Power Company to construct a dam across the Congaree River at Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements and Penitentiary, jointly.

Mr. R. M. SMITH gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he will ask leave to introduce

A Bill to incorporate the Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad Company.

Mr. FROST introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That on and after to-morrow the House meet at 12 M. and adjourn at pleasure.

Mr. GILES, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and keeping in repair of public highways and roads."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. WHITE introduced the following resolution, which was considered immediately and adopted :

Resolved, That from and after this day, the Rule requiring one day's notice to be given of introduction of Bills be suspended for the remainder of the session.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the payment of the claim of Henry Ware and Son was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the Joint Resolution was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same," was taken up.

The second reading of the Bill was continued.

Section 3 was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

A Senate Bill to change the name of Wm Nathaniel Martin, and to make him one of the legal heirs of his father, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Brotherly Association of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Cheraw Fire Engine Company, as a part of the Fire Department of Cheraw, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain costs accrued on lands sold by County Treasurers at delinquent tax sales, and purchased by the State, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to compensate John T. Green, Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, for extra services, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the Bill, and others on the Calendar relating to the same subject, were recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

A Senate Bill to establish a public road in Barnwell and Orangeburg Counties was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue stock of the State of South Carolina was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to abolish the office of Land Commissioner, and devolve the duties of said office on the Secretary of State, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Senate Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to regulate pilotage at the ports of Charleston, Beaufort and Georgetown, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow at 2 P. M.

A Bill to grant, renew and amend the charter of the village of Rock Hill, in the County of York, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MEAD moved to amend Section 6 by striking out, on fifteenth line, the word "twenty" and inserting the word "fifteen." Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. MEAD, Section 12 was amended by striking out the word "twenty" and inserting the word "fourteen."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the village of Little Rock, in the County of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. BARKER moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. BOSEMON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 29; nays, 42. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bowley, Crews, James Davis, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Samuel Greene, Hart, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jervey, Johnson, Lang, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Saunders, Small, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Warley and White.—29.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Byas, Everidge Cain, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Ellison, Farr, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, Harris, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Hunter, Jamison, Jones, Lee, Lloyd, Mead, Moore, Nehemias, O'Connell, Ramsay, Rivers, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Whipper, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—42.

The consideration of the Bill previously under consideration was resumed.

On motion of Mr. SELLERS, Section 1 was amended by striking out, on the fifth line, the words "one mile," and inserting the words "three fourths of a mile," and by adding to the Section the words "*Provided, That the corporate limits of said town shall not extend beyond the Little Pee Dee River.*"

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, Section 3 was amended by striking out the word "nine" and inserting the word "six."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Comptroller General to draw a warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of C. Werner, when certain requirements are fulfilled, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. BYAS moved to strike out the resolving clause of the Resolution.

A debate ensued, pending which, on motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 4:35 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment being the consideration of

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Comptroller-General to draw a warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of C. Werner, when certain requirements are fulfilled, was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Byas) to strike out the resolving clause, it was not agreed to.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the consideration of the Joint Resolution until January 1, 1873.

A debate ensued, pending which the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

A further debate ensued, pending which the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Senate Bill to regulate pilotage at the ports of Charleston, Beaufort and Georgetown.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the Unfinished Business.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Jamison) to postpone the further consideration of the Joint Resolution, until January 1, 1873, it was not agreed to.

On the question of passing the Joint Resolution, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 86 ; nays, 2. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Farr, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smalls, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilson and Yocom.—86.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Jamison and Rivers.—2.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HURLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A concurrent resolution looking to the relief of the citizens of Beaufort County.

On motion of Mr. YOCOM, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

A Bill to amend an Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

A Bill to repeal an Act to authorize the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, to pledge State bonds as collateral security, and for other purposes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution to provide for the registering of all the bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution ordering that the Hon. W. M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, be allowed compensation for holding extra Courts.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. Duncan obtained leave of absence for five days.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same, was resumed.

Mr. FARR moved to re-commit the Bill to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. JAMISON moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which, (Mr. Hunter, having the floor, yielded to allow the introduction of a resolution),

Mr. MADDOCKS introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns it stand adjourned until Monday next, at 12 M.

On the adoption of the resolution, Mr. FROST called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 41 ; nays, 42. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Briggs, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Whipper and White.—41.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Frost, Goodson, Goggins, C. D. Hayne, Hagood, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Nerland, Perry, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley and Wilson.—42.

Mr. HENDERSON moved that this House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 39 ; nays 42. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Henderson, Jackson, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, Mickey, Nerland, Pendergrass, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Williams and Wilson —39.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Boston, Bowley, Briggs, T. A. Davis, Farr, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Wallace and White.—22.

Mr. DENNIS moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to adopt the resolution to adjourn till Monday next.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to reconsider. Not agreed to.

On the motion to reconsider, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 50; nays, 26. • Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Briggs, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Farr, Gaither, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and White.—50.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Boston, Bowley, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, Derrick, Doyle, Goggins, C. D. Hayne, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Nerland, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Small, R. M. Smith, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Williams, Wilson.—26.

On the adoption of the resolution, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 44 ; nays, 31. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Briggs, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Farr, Gaither, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Hart, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Lang, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and White.—44.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Boston, Bowley, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, Doyle, Goggins, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Littlefield, McDaniels, Mead, Mobley, Perry, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Williams and Wilson.—31.

Mr. DENNIS moved that this House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 19. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Briggs, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Farr, Gaither, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jervy, Johnson, Lang, Levy, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P.

Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas; J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Williams and Wilson.—57.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Boston, Bowley, Goggins, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jones, Lee, Littlefield, Mead, Mobley, Nerland, A. L. Singleton, Small, Wallace and Warley.—19.

At 5:30 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of Friday was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of Friday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same, was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Jamison) to strike out the enacting clause, was resumed.

On motion of Mr. CRITTENDEN, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Senate Bill to establish a public road in Barnwell and Orangeburg Counties ;

A Senate Bill to change the name of Wm. Nathaniel Martin, and make him one of the legal heirs of his father ;

A Senate Bill to repeal an Act entitled " An Act to provide for the

appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties ;”

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Cheraw Fire Engine Company, as a part of the Fire Department of the town of Cheraw.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, the following :

Joint Resolution to compensate John T. Green, Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, for extra services ;

A Bill to incorporate the Brotherly Association, of Charleston, S. C. ;

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain costs accrued on lands sold by the County Treasurers at delinquent tax sales, and purchased by the State ;

A Bill to authorize and require the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of the Armstrong Ford Road, in said County ;

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue Stock of the State of South Carolina.

Read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back

A Joint Resolution (favorable) to relieve R. P. Vampill, County Treasurer of Marion County, of uncollected taxes for the year 1868.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. NEHEMIAS introduced

A Bill to provide for the election of a Superintendent of the State Penitentiary.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. S. GREENE presented the petition of L. S. Langley, ex-School Commissioner of Beaufort County, praying remuneration for books furnished the schools of said County.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Claims, jointly.

Mr. WHIPPER presented the account of P. F. Frazee, Sheriff of Richland County, for dieting prisoners.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. ELLIOTT introduced the following preamble and concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered :

Whereas the Hon. F. A. Sawyer and the Hon. T. J. Robertson, Senators in the United States Congress from the State of South Carolina, owe their positions to the Republican party of this State; and whereas they have betrayed the sacred trusts reposed in them by the Republican party, in using their influence and casting their votes to defeat that eminently just and wise measure, the Supplementary Civil Rights Bill, in open disregard and defiance of the expressed will of their constituents, through concurrent resolution of the General Assembly of this State; and whereas they have, on every occasion, ignored the just claims, and have voted in opposition to the declared wishes of the Republican party, their constituents; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Hon. F. A. Sawyer and the Hon. T. J. Robertson, Senators of this State in the United States Congress, be requested forthwith to resign the honorable positions they hold by the suffrages of the Republican party, whose rights they oppose, and wishes they misrepresent, upon the floor of the United States Senate.

Mr. BOWLEY offered the following as a substitute, which was adopted:

Whereas, we, the representatives of the people of South Carolina, in the interest of liberty and equality, recently passed a concurrent resolution, instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to vote for the passage of the Supplementary Civil Rights Bill, then pending in the United States Congress; and whereas it appears that the Hon. F. A. Sawyer and the Hon. T. J. Robertson did, notwithstanding such instructions, vote against said bill—thereby proving themselves recreant to the trust reposed in them by the Republican majority of this State—and showing that they are opposed to the principles of liberty and the equality of all men; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the said F. A. Sawyer, and the said T. J. Robertson, be requested to resign their seats in the United States Congress forthwith.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to forward certified copies of this preamble and resolutions to said Senators, and to our Representatives in Congress; also to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress.

On the question of adopting the resolution, and ordering it to be sent to the Senate, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 70; nays, 9. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker,

Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Dannerly, J. Davis, Elliott, Furguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Whipper and Yocom.—70.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Crittenden, Derrick, Dusenbury, Sellers, Shanklin, Taylor, and Williams.—9.

Messrs. Crews, Frost, Mead and Moore stated that, had they been present, when the foregoing vote was taken, they would have voted in the affirmative.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Report of Committee on Railroads on Governor's Message, No. 12, and accompanying report of State Auditor.

Mr. HURLEY reported verbally that the Committee had not had time to fully consider the matter, and would request further time.

On motion, further time was granted.

Mr. GAITHER introduced

A Bill to require the Land Commissioner to issue titles to actual settlers on lands in Kershaw County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. CRITTENDEN introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. GOODSON introduced

A Bill to re-open a public highway in Richland County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. CREWS introduced

A Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to authorize the construction of a public road from Binaker's Bridge, *via* Honey Ford, across the Big Saltkahatchie, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, as follows, was adopted :

Add to Section 3, "*And provided, also*, That the cost of erecting said bridges shall not exceed three hundred dollars."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 22; nays, 44. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bascomb, Bowley, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hunter, Jervey, Lee, Lloyd, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Sellers, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Whipper and Williams.—22.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Berry, Boston, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, Frost, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Lang, McDaniels, Mead, Milton, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Taylor, White and Yocom.—44.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, February 14, at 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to provide for the replacing of mile stones and cross-road pointers upon the public highways was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Senate Bill to recharter the ferry over the Combahee River, S. C., known as the Combahee Ferry, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the widow of Summerfield Montgomery \$250 was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to divide the State into five Congressional Districts was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, February 14, at 2 P. M.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Pickens," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which (Mr. Mobley, having the floor, yielded for a motion,)

Mr. MADDOCKS moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 33; nays, 22. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Berry, L. Cain, E. Cain, Dannerly, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Hart, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Small, A. Smith, W. M. Thomas, Williams and Yocom.—33.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bowley, Byas, Frost, Gantt, Glover, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Jervy, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, A. L. Singleton, Tarlton, Thompson, Warley, Whipper and White.—22.

The House then, at 4 P. M., adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club, was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, was resumed, and the question being taken, it was not agreed to.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SMART, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following .

A Bill (favorable) to apportion the members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of this State, according to their population ;

A Bill (favorable) to permit James McCullough to adopt, change the name of, and make his lawful heir, Joseph Allen Stepp.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to grant, renew and amend the charter of the village of Rock Hill, in the County of York.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWLEY, the blank in Section 2 was filled by inserting the figures "1873."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the village of Little Rock, in the County of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. SELLERS, the Bill was amended by striking out the words "first Saturday in March," and inserting "second Saturday in April."

The Bill was read the second time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported on accounts, of J. W. Denny, Bryan & McCarter, Republican Printing Company, H. Solomon, J. Williams, A. Palmer, and others, and recommended payment:

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, of Smyrna, in Newberry County;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Springfield Baptist Church, in Greenville;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Deutscher Brudersbund, of the city of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were read, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported back:

A Bill (favorable) compelling Representatives to reside in the County from which they were elected.

On motion of Mr. A. SMITH, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments,

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2:30 P. M.

Also, returned, with amendments,

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Thursday, February 15, at 1 P. M.

A concurrent resolution to investigate the actions of the County Commissioners of Barnwell County.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the concurrent resolution was referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. S. GREENE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced.

A Bill to compel the attendance at school of all children between the ages of six and sixteen years, residing in the incorporated towns and cities of the State:

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Jamison) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill was resumed.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for this day, at 2:30 P. M.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following

COMMUNICATION:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

STATE TREASURY OFFICE,

COLUMBIA, S. C., February 12, 1872.

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN—In reply to concurrent resolution requesting information as to whether any portion of the interest on the State debt, due January 1st, 1872, had been paid, I have the honor to inform you that no portion of the interest on the State debt, due January 1st, 1872, has been paid.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
(Signed)

NILES G. PARKER,
State Treasurer.

Received as information.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution to relieve the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time.

On the question of passing the Joint Resolution, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. GOODSON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 74; nays, 8. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Ailen, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, Derrick, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel [Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Kennedy, Lee, Lloyd, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—74.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Briggs, Farr, Gaither, Jackson, Nuckles, Reedish and Williams.—8.

A Senate Bill to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Saturday, February 17, at 2 P. M.

A Bill to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guarantee of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On the question of passing Section 3 to a third reading,

Mr. CRITTENDEN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 80; nays, 20. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Ner-

land, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—0.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, L. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Frost, Hagood, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Litchfield, Sellers, Taylor, Whipper, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—20.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to postpone the further consideration of Section 4 until Saturday, at 4 P. M.

On this Mr. CRITTENDEN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 27 ; nays, 70. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Berry, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Frost, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Litchfield, Miles, Sellers, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—27.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper and White.—70.

On the question of passing the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. CRITTENDEN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 82 ; nays, 17. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles,

O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—82.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Lawrence Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Frost, Hagood, Humbert, Hurley, Sellers, Taylor, Whipper, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—17.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to purchase a set of fire and burglar proof doors for the vault in his office was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Mt. Zion M. E. Church, of Kingstree, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, of Fairfield County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide a uniform system of school records was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to provide for the speedy apportionment of State appropriations made for the support and maintenance of Free Common Schools was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to charter the Little River and Cheraw Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. J. W. THOMAS, Section 1 was amended by adding the following names as corporators :

"C. P. Townsend, J. W. Thomas, Abel Quick, F. A. Miles, C. J. Stuart, Samuel Jackson and Jacob Allman."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Beef and Pork Packing Association was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to regulate pilotage at the ports of Charleston, Beaufort and Georgetown was taken up.

On motion of Mr. BOWLEY, Section 4 was amended, on the second line, by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "two;" also, on the sixth line, by striking out the word "two," and inserting the word "one."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2:30 P. M.

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same.

The motion (by Mr. Jamison) to strike out the enacting clause was withdrawn.

The amendment proposed by the Committee, to Section 1, as follows, was adopted: by striking out, in the fourth line, the word "eight," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six."

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, Section 1 was further amended by adding to the Section the following: "*Provided, further, That, before such issue, the City Council shall recall and cancel the bonds, to the amount of \$250,000, issued August 21, 1871, for the erection of City Hall and Market: And provided, further, That no part of said bonds shall be used for the purchase of any franchise or corporation.*"

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, Section 2 was amended by inserting after the word "consecutively," on the sixth line, the words "from one to six hundred."

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, Section 2 was further amended by striking out, in the eighth line, the word "eight," and inserting the word "seven."

The amendment proposed by the Committee, as follows, was considered:

Strike out Section 3, and insert, in place thereof:

"SECTION 3. That no bond shall be negotiated, under the provisions of this Act, except through some banking house in the city of Columbia, which shall constitute the financial agency for the sale or negotiation of said bonds; said bank to be designated by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City Council: *Provided, That all such sales and negotiations shall be conducted in accordance with such rules and regulations as the City Council may prescribe.*"

Mr. HURLEY moved to amend the amendment by striking out all after the word "Act," to the word "*Provided,*" and insert "otherwise than by public sale, notice of which sale shall be given for at least thirty days in one newspaper published in Columbia, one in Charleston, and two in the city of New York; and that the sale of all such bonds shall be made by the Treasurer of the city of Columbia."

The amendment proposed by the Committee to Section 5, as follows, was adopted: By striking out, after the word "taxation," on the sixth line, the words "by the State, or by the said Mayor and Aldermen," and inserting the words "by the said City Council of Columbia."

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, Section 6 was amended by adding to

the Section the words "*Provided*, That no part of said bonds shall be used for the purchase of any franchise or corporation."

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, Section 10 was amended by inserting, on the first line, after the word "completion," the words "and occupation."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Bill to incorporate the village of Smithville, Christ Church Parish, South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. A. SMITH, Section 1 was amended by adding to the Section :

"And that the first election under this Act, to be held on the first Monday in April, 1873, the Clerk of the Court for Charleston County do appoint Managers to conduct the same, by giving the proper time and notice thereof."

On motion of Mr. A. SMITH, the Bill was amended by adding the following, as Section 2 :

"SECTION 2. That A. Smith, Wm. Murrill and David Dial be, and are hereby, appointed Commissioners to fix the boundary of said village, said boundary to extend one mile in every direction from the fork of the Georgetown and Melton Railroad."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company," was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HOLMES, Section 1 was amended by adding to the Section the following :

"That the second Section of said Act shall be amended by striking out the word 'possible,' wherever it occurs in said Section, and inserting, in place thereof, the word 'practicable;' and that the third Section of said Act shall be amended by striking out the words 'one hundred,' in the eighth line of said Section, and inserting, in place thereof, the words, 'twenty-five.'"

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 12:30 P. M.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the town of Mullins, in Marion County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to renew the charter of Marion Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County, South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to change the names of Lee Abrams, John Abrams, Dunklin Abrams and Mary Abrams, to Lee Ferguson, John Ferguson, Dunklin Ferguson and Mary Ferguson, respectively, and to permit Charles M. Ferguson to adopt them and make them his lawful heirs, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Newberry was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. JONES moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 23 ; nays, 42. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Glover, S. Greene, Guffin, Hart, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Saunders, A. Smith and Warley.—23.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Ellison, Farr, Gantt, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hurley, Jervey, Johnston, Lee, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Whipper, Wilson and Yocom.—42.

A Bill to regulate the pay of the members of the General Assembly was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 1, as follows : To strike out, on the third line, the words "one thousand," and insert the words "six hundred ;" also by striking out all the words after the word "Assembly," on the seventh line, was considered.

Mr. HOLMES moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "six," and insert, in lieu thereof the word "five."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to lay the amendment to the amendment on the table.

On this Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 14; nays, 57. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. L. Cain, Crews, Farr, Glover, Hart, Humbert, Humphries, Jones, Mobley, Mickey, Saunders, Wallace, Warley and Yocom.—14.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Dannerly, J. Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gantt, Garey, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, White and Wilson.—57.

Pending the further consideration of the Bill,

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 4:20 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. Benjamin Lawson, of Sumter County.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to regulate the pay of members of the General Assembly, was resumed.

The consideration of the amendment to the amendment to strike out the word "six," and insert the word "five," was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 12:30 P. M.

A Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. LEE offered, as a substitute,

A Bill to raise supplies and make appropriations for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1872, and to provide for deficiencies in the revenue for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1871.

Mr. WHITE moved to indefinitely postpone the consideration of the substitute.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Concurrent resolution (Senate) that the General Assembly adjourn *sine die* February 16, 1872.

Mr. HUNTER moved to postpone the consideration of the Special Order until the conclusion of the business before the House.

Mr. A. SMITH moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. LEE called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 81; nays, 20. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jervay, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniel, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perdergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, White, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—81.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bass, L. Cain, Crews, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Glover, Goodson, Hart, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Mobley, Perry and Yocom.—20.

Mr. MOBLEY introduced the following substitute for the Senate concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That this General Assembly do adjourn on the 26th day of February, 1872, subject to the call of a majority of the members of both Houses, who shall signify their assent in writing to the Clerks of their respective Houses: *Provided*, That no pay be allowed during said adjournment.

The substitute was adopted.

Mr. HENDERSON moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "majority" and inserting the word "unanimous." Adopted.

Mr. HURLEY moved to reconsider the vote just taken, and lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

On this, Mr. BOSEMON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 23; nays, 62. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bosemon, Boston, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Derrick, Ellison, Frost, Giles, S. Greene, Jervey, Litchfield, Milton, Pendergrass, Perry, Sellers, Simons, Taylor, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—23.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Briggs, L. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Dusenbury, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper and White.—62.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the resolution was amended by striking out the word "unanimous," and inserting the word "majority."

On the question of adopting the resolution, and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. JERVEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 47; nays, 45. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Briggs, Dannerly, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lloyd, Maddocks, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley and Whipper.—47.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Berry, Boston, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Frost, Giles, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Hunter, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, McDaniels, Mead, Miles, Milton, Moore, Nerland, Nuckles, Perry, Sellers, Simons, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—45.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE offered, as a substitute,

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken.

The substitute was adopted.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Friday, February 16, at 2 P. M.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same.

The Bill was read the third time.

On the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

The yeas and nays were ordered, pursuant to the provision of the Constitution, resulting:

Whole number of votes.....106

Yeas, 87; nays, 19. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Micky, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—88.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Byas, L. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Frost, Hagood, Hurley, Perry, Sellers, Taylor, Whipper, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—19.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal:

I voted "no" on the passage of the Bill "to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same," for the following reasons:

Because the liability of the State is on the bonds issued by the "Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in South Carolina," only, and not on the bonds issued by the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in Georgia, the Tennessee Railroad Company, in North Carolina, the Knoxville and Charleston Railroad Company, in Tennessee, and the Pendleton Railroad Company, in South Carolina, also, as stated in the preamble to this Bill.

If the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in South Carolina, endorsed by the State, are on the market at all, contrary to the official declaration of the Governor in his Special Message, their continuance on the market cannot be as great an injury and prejudice to the credit of the State as the issuing of Treasury certificates of indebtedness without consideration, and without means of payment.

Because the bonds in question are payable at fixed periods, and payment of them cannot be required at unforeseen and inopportune times.

Because the bonds in question are not due for nearly seventeen years, and the pecuniary condition of the State is not such as to warrant the payment of any liability of the State nearly seventeen years in advance.

Because there is no evidence that the indebtedness of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in South Carolina, is one million eight hundred thousand dollars, as provided in this Bill, but good reasons for believing that such indebtedness does not reach more than half that amount.

Because the liability of the State on the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company was incurred on the pledge of all the estate, property and funds of the company, in this and other States, to protect the State against loss; while this Bill not only provides for the State paying a larger sum of money than its liability requires, but also provides for the discharge and release of the very security it holds for its own protection.

Because, although the purpose of all the aid afforded by the State to the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in South Carolina, has been the construction and completion of the Blue Ridge Railroad, yet this Bill, which discharges the company from all liability for its debts to the State, and gives it certificates of indebtedness for a greater amount than its debts, makes no provision that the road shall be constructed and completed.

(Signed)

C. J. ANDELL.

Also, reported the following:

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the widow of Summerfield Montgomery two hundred and fifty dollars;

A Bill to provide for the replacing of mile stones and cross-road pointers upon the public highways ;

Joint Resolution to authorize the Comptroller General to draw warrants on the State Treasurer in favor of C. Werner, when certain requirements are fulfilled ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the town of Pickens ;"

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company ;

A Bill to charter the Little River and Cheraw Railroad Company.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to re-charter the ferry over the Combahee River, in South Carolina, known as the Combahee Ferry.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill (by Mr. Yocom) to divide the State into five Congressional Districts.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended temporarily.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to provide for special elections, and the manner of conducting the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

The consideration of the Special Order for 12:30 P. M. was resumed.

The motion (by Mr. White) to indefinitely postpone the substitute was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the further consideration of the whole matter was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2:30 P. M.

Consideration of Senate amendments to a Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of Charleston, S. C.

Mr. BYAS moved that the House do not concur. Agreed to.

The Bill, with a message, was returned to the Senate.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. LEE, by leave, introduced

A Bill imposing duties on certain instruments of writing.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. O'CONNELL introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay all certificates for legislative expenses.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. CRITTENDEN, by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, A. F. M., of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. BOSEMON, by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of A. F. M., of the State of South Carolina, and the subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction.

Read the first time, and, by request, referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following :

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property," passed December 15, 1868, and all Acts amendatory thereto ;

A Bill (favorable) for the relief of the widows and orphans of persons killed by the Ku Klux ;

A Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the State Treasurer to pay C. Baring Farmer the sum of \$750, for extra services rendered as District Judge for Colleton County in 1868 ;

A Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the payment of Henry Ware & Son.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills and Joint Resolutions.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported back the claims of J. W. Anderson, and others, and recommended that they be referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, a memorial to Congress from the Charleston Chamber of Commerce, and recommended that it be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, reported back Message No. 11, of His Excellency the Governor, relative to lands in Beaufort County, and recommended that it be received as information.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was adopted.

The consideration of the Special Order for 2 P. M. was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. L. CAIN offered the following as a substitute for Section 1 :

Amend by striking out all after the words "as follows," on line second, and insert :

"The First Congressional District shall be composed of the Counties of Georgetown, Williamsburg, Horry, Marion, Marlboro, Chesterfield, Darlington and Clarendon ; Second Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Charleston, Colleton and Beaufort ; Third Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Barnwell, Orangeburg, Aiken, Edgefield, Lexington and Richland ; Fourth Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Fairfield, Newberry, Laurens, Anderson, Pickens, Oconee and Abbeville ; and the Fifth Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Sumter, Kershaw, Lancaster, Chester, York, Union, Spartanburg and Greenville."

Mr. BOSEMON moved to indefinitely postpone the substitute.

A debate ensued,

Pending which, Mr. JAMISON moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. T. A. DAVIS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 47 ; nays, 32. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Elliott, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Lloyd, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell,

Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—47.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hunter, Jones, Lee, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Myers, Simons, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper and Wilson.—32.

The House then, at 4:20 P. M., adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. Monroe Boykin, of Kershaw County.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to divide the State into five Congressional Districts, was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Bosemon) to indefinitely postpone the consideration of the substitute (by Mr. L. Cain) for Section 1, it was not agreed to.

Mr. L. CAIN withdrew the substitute and offered the following in lieu thereof: Strike out all the words in the Section after the word "following," and insert,

"The First Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Georgetown, Williamsburg, Horry, Marion, Marlboro, Chesterfield, Darlington and Sumter.

"The Second Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Charleston, Colleton and Beaufort.

"The Third Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Barnwell, Aiken, Orangeburg, Lexington, Edgefield, Richland and Clarendon.

"The Fourth Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Fairfield, Newberry, Laurens, Anderson, Abbeville, Pickens and Oconee.

"The Fifth Congressional District to be composed of the Counties of Kershaw, Lancaster, Chester, York, Union, Spartanburg and Greenville."

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Consideration of Senate amendments to a Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 13.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, February 15, 1872.

To the Honorable, Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following :

An Act to regulate the labor of persons confined in the Penitentiary of the State of South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the Mechanics' and Farmers' Building and Loan Association, of Richland County, South Carolina ;

An Act to authorize Clerks of the Court of Common Pleas to take testimony in certain cases ;

An Act to provide the manner for obtaining the right of way where lands are surrounded by other lands ;

An Act to authorize the erection of a certain bridge over Wateree River ;

An Act to provide for the redemption of certain lands sold under order of General Edward R. S. Canby, for taxes ;

An Act to renew the charter of the Pendleton Male Academy ;

An Act to incorporate the Saxton Riflemen, of Charleston, South Carolina ;

An Act to alter and amend an Act entitled " An Act to charter the town of Hamburg," approved February 28, 1871 ;

An Act to incorporate the Wallingford Church and Academy, of Charleston ;

Joint Resolution to change the names of Samuel Dogen, Columbus Dogen and Simon Dogen, to Samuel Farrow, Columbus Farrow and Simon Farrow.

Very respectfully,
(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

Received as information.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

The consideration of the substitute (by Mr. L. Cain) was resumed.

Mr. JAMISON called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the main question, being the adoption of the substitute,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 59 ; nays, 40. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Berry, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Frost, Giles, Goodson, J. A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Humphries, Humbert, Hunter, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mickey, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Wilson and Yocom.—59.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, Cousart, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Hudson, Jervey, Levy, Lloyd, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Sellers, Smart, Sullivan, Tarlton, Warley, Whipper, White, Williams and Wofford.—40.

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. MYERS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 37. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Frost, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, Miles, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small,

Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—57.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Briggs, Cousart, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, S. Greene, Guffin, Holmes, Hudson, Jervay, Johnson, Levy, Lloyd, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Whipper and White.—37.

On the question of passing Section 3 to a third reading,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 63; nays, 34. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowley, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Glover, John A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervay, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—63.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Briggs, Cousart, Crews, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hudson, Johnson, Lloyd, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Whipper and White.—34.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passing of the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,)

Mr. SMART called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 62; nays, 33. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervay, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saun-

ders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—62.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Rosemon, Briggs, Cousart, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, S. Greene, Guffin, Hudson, Johnson, Lloyd, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Whipper and White.—33.

On the main question, the passing of the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 61; nays 35. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowley, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Goggins, John A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—61.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Rosemon, Briggs, Cousart, Crews, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hudson, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Lloyd, McDaniels, Mead, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Smart, Abraham Smith, Tarlton, Whipper and White.—35.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. JAMISON moved to lay the motion on the table. Agreed to.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading:

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, of Fairfield County;

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Zion M. E. Church, of Kingstree, S. C.;

A Bill to provide for a uniform system of school records;

A Bill to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College;

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club;

A Joint Resolution to relieve the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen;

A Bill to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Beef and Pork Packing Association, of the city of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the village of Smithville, Christ Church Parish, South Carolina;

A Bill to renew the charter of Marion Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., of the city of Charleston, S. C.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to provide for the speedy apportionment of State appropriations made for the support and maintenance of Free Common Schools.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to purchase a set of fire and burglar proof doors, for the vault in his office.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also,

A Senate Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to establish a public road from Binaker's Bridge, *via* the town of Grahams and Honey Ford, across the Big Salkehatchie Swamp, in the vicinity of Rush's Mill, to intersect the Buford's Bridge and Barnwell Road, at that point.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

The consideration of the Special Order for 1 P. M. was resumed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Consideration of Senate amendments to a Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the consideration of the Special Order was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill and substitute to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

The substitute was read.

Mr. KEITH moved to indefinitely postpone the substitute.

Mr. R. M. SMITH moved to strike out the enacting clause of the substitute.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE moved that the Bill and substitute be referred to a Special Committee of five, with instructions to report to-morrow. Agreed to.

The SPEAKER announced as the Committee, Messrs. J. N. Hayne, Jones, W. M. Thomas, Jamison and Rivers.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 4:40, the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back the accounts of Mrs. M. A. Bird, Miss A. Robertson, Miss Hutchison and R. F. McCaslan, school teachers, and recommended that they be referred to the School Commissioner of Abbeville County, with instructions to discharge his duty as in Section 44 of the Educational Act is provided.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. O'CONNELL, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) authorizing the County Commissioners of Union County to lay out a public highway ;

A Bill (favorable) to re-open a public highway in Richland County ;

A Bill (favorable) to charter Big House Ferry, over the Beaufort River, in Beaufort County.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back the following:

A Bill (unfavorable) to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Land Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties, and for other purposes ;"

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) to consolidate the offices of Land Commissioner and Commissioner of Agricultural Statistics;

A Bill (unfavorable) in reference to State Lands ;

A Joint Resolution (favorable) to authorize the Land Commissioner to execute titles to certain lands in Charleston County.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills and Joint Resolutions.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. YOCOM, from the Committee on the Penitentiary, reported back :

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the government of the South Carolina Penitentiary."

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on Removal of Political Disabilities, reported back :

Petition of Thomas Crymes, of Anderson County, for removal of political disabilities, and recommended the adoption of the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Congress of the United States be respectfully requested to remove the political disabilities of Mr. Thomas Crymes, of Anderson County.

Mr. L. CAIN moved the adoption of the report.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to re-commit the report to the Committee.

On this, he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 15 ; nays, 75. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Gaither, Garey, Maddocks, Mobley, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, Tarlton and Wallace.—15.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Briggs,

Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, McDaniels, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Sinall, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, White, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—75.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. L. Cain) to adopt the recommendation contained in the report, it was agreed to, and the resolution sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Salem Presbyterian Church, of Wadmalaw Island, South Carolina ;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, A. F. M., of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back :

A Bill (favorable) imposing duties on certain instruments of writing ;

A Bill (favorable) to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers and employees, with amendment :

Strike out Section 5, and insert, in place thereof, the following :

“SECTION 5. That the State Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow whatever amount of money is necessary to pay the said certificates, and to give his obligation, as State Treasurer, for the same; and such obligation shall be good and binding on the State, and shall be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury received from taxes, or from other sources : *Provided, further,* That no part of said moneys shall be used for payment of any claims issued prior to November 28, 1871.”

A Bill (unfavorable) relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina ;

A Bill (favorable) relating to the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, with an amendment to strike out, in Section 1, third line, after the word “required,” and insert the word “forthwith.”

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported back the following, as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading :

A Senate Bill to regulate pilotage at the ports of Charleston, Beaufort, and Georgetown ;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Bill to change the names of Lee Abrams, Dunklin Abrams and Mary Abrams to that of Lee Ferguson, Dunklin Ferguson and Mary Ferguson, respectively, and to permit Charles M. Ferguson to adopt them, and make them his lawful heirs ;

A Bill to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same. .

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. ELLISON, by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution to relieve L. H. Russel, late Treasurer of Abbeville County.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. GOGGINS presented the account of S. A. Hodges, late Tax Collector of Abbeville County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. WHIPPER, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to consolidate the debt of the State, and to provide for the payment of the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. LEVY introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the report of the Land Commissioner be printed for the benefit of the General Assembly.

Mr. BOSEMON presented the account of Dr. N. A. Pratt, of Charleston, for chemical analysis in a supposed case of poisoning.

Referred to the Medical Committee.

Mr. JERVEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to provide for general and special elections, and the manner of conducting the same.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. HUMBERT introduced the following resolution, which, on motion of Mr. MOBLEY, was laid on the table :

Resolved, That on and after Monday, February 19th, no Bill or resolution shall be introduced in this House, except by unanimous consent.

Mr. LEE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Water Power Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. DUSENBURY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint one additional Trial Justice in Conwayboro Township, in Horry County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GAREY, introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered, adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That a Committee of three on the part of the House, and on the part of the Senate, be appointed to wait on the State Treasurer and ascertain from him the amount of money paid in by the County Treasurers of their respective Counties, and the manner in which the same has been disbursed.

Mr. BOSTON introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered :

Resolved, That when this House adjourns it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

Mr. SIMONS moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On this Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 41 ; nays, 51. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Berry, Bosemon, Bowley, L. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Farr, Frost, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Lloyd, Miles, Mickey, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.— 41.

Those voting in the negative are ;

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Hunter, Jervy, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White and Yocom.—51.

On the question of adopting the resolution, Mr. KEITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 54 ; nays, 37. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goodson, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Johnson, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Warley, White and Yocom.—54.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Farr, Frost, Glover, Goggin, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Hurley, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Miles, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, Sullivan, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—37.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

Consideration of Senate amendment to a Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended, until the conclusion of the business of the morning hour.

Mr. DOYLE introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That Monday, the 19th instant, be set apart for the consideration of incorporation Bills.

Mr. LEE, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to fix the amounts of official bonds of certain County officers."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. J. A. GREEN, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to compel the County Commissioners of Edgefield, Laurens and Newberry Counties to levy a special tax.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. COUSART presented the account of J. B. Cousart, ex-Sheriff of Lancaster County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. MOBLEY, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Port Royal Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the School Commissioner of Union County to approve certain claims of teachers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Special Order for 1:30 P. M. was resumed.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the House refused to concur, and the Bill, with the message, was returned to the Senate.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to the House the following :

A Bill to regulate the appointment and salary of Trial Justices in the city of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 25.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 14, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of a concurrent resolution from your House requesting the Senators representing the State of South Carolina, in the Congress of the United States, to resign.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 26.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 14, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it respect-

fully insists upon its action relative to the report of the Senate Committee on Claims on the account of L. P. Donohue. The report and account are respectfully returned herewith.

By order of the Senate :

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Mr. BYAS moved that the House recede from its action, and that the Senate report be concurred in. Agreed to.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to recharter the town of Frog Level, and change the name to Enterprise, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, Section 1 was amended by striking out the word "Enterprise," and inserting the word "Frog Level;" also, by changing the title to conform thereto.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts of the County of Aiken.

On motion of Mr. BOSTON, the consideration of the Special Order was discharged.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the payment of the claim of Henry Ware & Son was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 1, to strike out the word "thirteen," and insert the word "twelve," was adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Orangeburg was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Big Bay and Adams Run Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, of Spartanburg County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to charter the Walhalla Female College was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Joint Resolution to relieve R. P. Vampill, County Treasurer of Marion County, of uncollected taxes for the year 1868, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SELLERS, Section 1 was amended by striking out the word "eighteen," and inserting "twenty-eight," and by striking out the word "sixty-nine," and inserting the word "seventy."

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Horse Railroad Company, in the town and County of Beaufort, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, Section 1 was amended by adding to the incorporators the names of "N. B. Myers" and "E. Nehemias."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to apportion the members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of this State, according to their population, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday next, at 2 P. M.

A Senate Bill to revive and renew the charter and corporate privileges of the Trustees of the Bennettsville Academical Society was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. FROST, Section 1 was amended by inserting, on the eighth line, between the words "lands" and "provided," the words "that the said corporation shall have power to purchase, receive and possess any real or personal estate not exceeding in value the sum of ten thousand dollars."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Springfield Baptist Church, in Greenville, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to punish parties for making fraudulent sales of lands was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Smyrna, in Newberry County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNELL, at 4:10 P. M., the House adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. DAVID HARRIS.

The Journal of Friday was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to provide for special elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled " An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;"

A Senate Bill (unfavorable) to amend an Act entitled " An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same," approved March 1, 1870.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back :

A Bill (favorable) to charter the Spartanburg and Port Royal Railroad.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the Bill and substitute to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, submitted the following

REPORT :

That they have had an extended interview with the State Treasurer and Comptroller General, who were present by request of the Committee. Your Committee find that there is a deficiency in previous years, on account of the failure to levy and collect the taxes, to the amount of \$950,000, now due and unpaid. The delinquencies in the collection of taxes, for the past three years, amount, in the aggregate, to about \$1,200,000.

Your Committee are satisfied that the law for the collection of taxes is inadequate, and should be so amended as to insure the prompt collection of the same. The failure to levy and collect a sufficient amount in the past is the cause of the present financial embarrassment of the State. The neglect, also, of the Legislature, in past years, to provide, annually, for deficiency in revenue, as prescribed by the Constitution, renders it necessary now to greatly increase the rate of taxation.

Your Committee find the debt, as stated by the Treasurer, for which a revenue to pay the interest should be provided, to amount to \$11,994,908.98. The Comptroller General fully concurs in this statement. The amount necessary to pay the interest on the same, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, will be \$719,694.54, if paid in currency, which your Committee recommend ; if paid in gold, the premium will have to be added, thereby increasing the amount.

Your Committee have estimated the expenses of the State for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1872, including the above, to be \$2,450,000.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the first Section of the substitute, with this amendment : In the seventh line, after the words

“public debt,” insert “which shall be paid in United States currency or National Bank notes.”

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

JAMES N. HAYNE, Chairman,
W. H. JONES, JR.,
W. M. THOMAS,
P. R. RIVERS,
J. L. JAMISON.

On motion of Mr. BOSEMON, the consideration of the report and the Bills were postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. ADAMSON, by leave, introduced

A Bill requiring the County officers to make a report at every sitting of the Court for each County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. GAITHER introduced the following resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Chairmen of the different Committees report on all Bills now in their possession, on Thursday, the 22d instant.

Mr. DOYLE, by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing certain persons to have transcribed, for the County of Oconee, so much of the records of the late District of Pickens as relates to the said County of Oconee.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. JAMISON presented accounts of J. W. H. Dukes, for *nulla bona* costs.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, by leave, introduced

A Bill to compel the County Commissioners of Barnwell County to construct and keep in good repair a public road, to be known as Holly's Lumber Road, in said County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

Consideration of Bills relative to incorporations.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural College and Mechanics' Institute was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. BYAS moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. W. M. THOMAS moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 60; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Briggs, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Henderson, Humphries, Hunter, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lee, Litchfield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Perry, Simons, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wilson and Wofford.—60.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bass, Byas, Elliott, Humbert, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, Pendergrass, J. P. Singleton, Wallace, Warley and Whipper.—14.

The Bill was read the second time, and, on the question of passing the Bill to a third reading and ordering it to be engrossed,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 61; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Barker, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hunter, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Litchfield, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Warley, White, Wilson and Yocom.—61.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Byas, Gaither, Hart, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, Reedish, Small, Wallace and Whipper.—14.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the Special Order of the Day was suspended, to take up

A Bill to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly and the salaries of the subordinate officers and employees.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, as follows, was adopted :

Strike out Section 5, and insert, in place thereof, the following :

"SEC. 5. That the State Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow whatever amount of money is necessary to pay the said certificates, and to give his obligation, as State Treasurer, for the same, and such obligation shall be good and binding on the State, and shall be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury received from taxes, or from other sources: *Provided, further,* That no part of said moneys shall be used for payment of any claims issued prior to November 28, 1871,"

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to amend Section 5, by striking out the word "That," where it first occurs in the Section, and inserting the following:

"That the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay the said certificates, at his counter, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise disposed of, prior to any other claim or claims whatsoever, and to hold the certificates as his vouchers therefor; and he is also authorized and required to retain in the Treasury all moneys from incoming taxes, subject to the demands of such orders or certificates; and, should there be a deficiency of funds in the State Treasury, whereby the payment of said certificates cannot be made"

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading the following:

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Newberry;

A Bill to charter the Big Bay and Adams' Run Railroad Company;

A Bill to punish parties for making fraudulent sales of land;

A Bill to charter the Walhalla Female College;

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Horse Railroad Company, in the town and County of Beaufort;

A Bill to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, of Spartanburg County;

Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax;

Joint Resolution authorizing the payment of the claim of Henry Ware & Son;

Joint Resolution to relieve R. Vampill, Treasurer of Marion County, of uncollected taxes for the year 1868 ;

A Bill to recharter the town of Frog Level ;

A Bill to amend the charter of the town of Orangeburg.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Bill to divide the State into five Congressional Districts.

Mr O'CONNELL moved to strike out the enacting clause.

On this, Mr. LEE called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 31 ; nays, 57. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Briggs, Corwin, Crews, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Whipper and White.—31.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Milton, Moore, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tar-ton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Wilson and Yocom.—57.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the Bill was amended by striking out the word "Greenville," wherever it occurs in the Bill, and inserting the word "Fairfield," and by striking out the word "Fairfield," wherever it occurs in the Bill, and inserting the word "Greenville."

The Bill was read the third time, and,

On the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it sent to the Senate,

Mr. MYERS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 64 ; nays, 28. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell,

Miles, Mobley, Moore, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilson and Yocom.—64.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Humphries, Jackson, Lee, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Reedish, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Whipper and Wofford.—28.

Mr. MOBLEY moved that the House now adjourn.

On this he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 23 ; nays, 66. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bass, Briggs, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Gantt, Goodson, Hedges, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Litchfield, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry and Talbert.—23.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, Lee, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—66.

Mr. BOWLEY also reported the following :

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Springfield Baptist Church, of the town of Greenville, S. C.;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the town of Mullens, in Marion County, State of South Carolina ;

A Senate Bill to renew, amend and extend the charter of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Smyrna, in Newberry County ;

The Bills were read the third time, passed, their titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also,

A Senate Bill to revive and renew the charter and corporate privileges of the Trustees of the Bennettsville Academical Society.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 3 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1872.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. S. NUCKLES.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Water Company, of the city and County of Charleston, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to charter the Raleigh, Columbia and Augusta Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Also, returned, with amendments,

A Bill to provide for the payment of the past due indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House.

Mr. KEITH moved that the House do not concur.

Agreed to; and a message, with Bill, was sent to the Senate.

Also, sent

A concurrent resolution in reference to the assignment of Committee rooms.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the resolution was laid on the table, and a message sent to the Senate accordingly.

Also, the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 27.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 16, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it insists upon its amendments to House Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston. The Bill is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,

President of Senate.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, a message was sent to the Senate, informing that body that the House insists on its refusal to concur in the amendments, and requests the appointment of a Committee of Conference.

Also, sent

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Joint Stock Company, of the State of South Carolina, for the benefit of the State Orphan Asylum.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Beaufort County to levy a special tax.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Richland County to levy a special tax.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution to authorize the payment of Commissioners and Managers of Elections at special elections during the year 1871.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to incorporate the Bull River and Port Royal Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A Bill to incorporate the Journeymen Mechanics' Union, of Charleston, South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Joint Resolution to authorize the County Commissioners of Abbeville County to levy and collect an additional tax of two mills upon the dollar.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A concurrent resolution prohibiting the removal of building material from the State House yard.

Referred to the Committee on State House and Grounds.

Also, returned, with concurrence,

Resolution petitioning the Congress of the United States to remove the political disabilities of Thomas Crymes, of Anderson County.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 28.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 19, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it insists

upon its amendments to House Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort. The Bill is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, a message was sent to the Senate that the House insists upon its refusal to concur, and requests the appointment of a Committee of Conference.

Also, sent

Report of Senate Committee on Claims on account of John Dooley.
Referred to the Committee on Claims.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following:

A Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing certain persons to have transcribed, for the County of Oconee, so much of the records of the late District of Pickens as relates to the said County of Oconee;

A Bill (favorable) to alter sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure, relating to Circuit Courts.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill and Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution and Bill were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading:

A Bill to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly and the salaries of the subordinate officers and employees.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWEN, from the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to charter the State Savings and Insurance Bank, of Anderson, S. C.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES presented the presentment of the Grand Jury of Anderson County, for January Term, 1872.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BOSEMON, by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Firemen's Union, of Charleston, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BARKER, by leave, introduced

A Bill to establish a new Judicial and Election County from a portion of the County of Edgefield, to be known as Saluda County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. LITCHFIELD, by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Waccamaw and Little River Canal Company."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. THOMPSON, by leave, introduced

A Bill to change the name of George Brown to that of George Regular.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. COUSART, by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of Georgetown, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate Planting and Mining Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for Thursday, February 22, at 1 P. M.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 54; nays, 30. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Andell, Barker, Berry, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, Dennis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Hagood, Harris, Henderson, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Logan, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Sellers, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—54.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Dannerly, Elliott, Ellison, Gardner, Goggins, Hart, Hudson, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lloyd, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Talbert, Tarlton, Wallace and Wofford.—30.

Mr. JAMISON moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 59; nays, 28. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Briggs, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hurley, Jackson, Johnson, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—59.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Bass, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, Duncan, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Garey, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Nuckles, Ramsay, Talbert, Wallace and Warley.—28.

Mr. HURLEY called the previous question on the entire Bill, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passing of Section 1 to a third reading,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 39; nays, 37. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bosemon, Bowen, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Gantt, Goodson, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Miles, Nehemias, Nerland, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—39.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Briggs, Byas, Elliott, Ellison, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Lee, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Smart, A. Smith, Talbert, Wallace, Warley and Whipper.—37.

On the main question, (the passing of Section 1 to a third reading,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 48; nays, 33. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Frost, Gantt, Goodson, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Jervy, Johnson, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Miles, Mickey, Nehemias, O'Connell, Perry, Rivers, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Taylor, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—48.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Berry, Bowley, Bryan, Corwin, Dannerly, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Giles, Goggins, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Jackson, Jamison, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, Ramsay, Saunders, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace and Warley.—33.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passage of Section 1,) it was decided in the negative, and the previous question exhausted.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee.

A Senate Bill to authorize aliens to hold property was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners,'" as relates to the County of Abbeville, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the Yemassee and Millen Railroad" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to apportion the members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of this State according to their population was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee.

A Senate Bill to require the County Commissioners to remove imbeciles from the Lunatic Asylum to their respective County Poor Houses was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for general and special elections, and the manner of conducting the same, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JERVEY offered the following as a substitute for Section 1, which was adopted :

“SECTION 1. That all general and special elections, held pursuant to the Constitution of this State, shall be regulated and conducted according to the rules, principles and provisions herein prescribed.”

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, Section 7 was stricken out.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, Section 8 was amended by striking out, on line six, before the word “dollars,” the word “fifty,” and inserting the words “one hundred.”

Pending the further consideration of the Bill, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

Report of Special Committee on Bill and substitute to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the Special Order was discharged, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

The consideration of the Bill previously before the House was resumed.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 8 by striking out the word “six,” on line two, and inserting the word “nine.”

A debate ensued, (Mr. Mobley, having the floor, yielded for a motion.)

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, at 2:30 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. S. SAUNDERS.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to provide for the general and special elections, and the manner of conducting the same, was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Jamison) to amend Section 8, by striking out, in the second line, the word "six," and inserting the word "nine," it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the Bill was amended by striking out Section 14, and inserting the following:

"SECTION 14. The Commissioners shall meet at the County seat, as provided in this Section, and shall proceed to organize, and shall form the County Board of Canvassers; they shall meet in some convenient public place at the County seat, on the Tuesday next following the election, before one o'clock in the afternoon of that day; they may appoint some competent person as Secretary. The Chairman shall then proceed to administer the constitutional oath to each member of the Board as Canvassers; and shall administer the constitutional oath to the Secretary, and the Secretary shall administer to the Chairman the same oath that he shall have administered to the other members of the Board."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The SPEAKER announced Messrs. Hurley, Frost and Jones as a Committee of Conference on a Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of Charleston, S. C.; and Messrs. Whipper, Myers, and S. Greene as a Committee of Conference on a Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER GENERAL,

COLUMBIA, S. C., February 20, 1872.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to present herewith copies of amendments to the outline of the draft of the General Insurance Law, adopted by the National Insurance Convention, at its session in October, 1871,

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the same having been lately received from the Committee of Revision of said body.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. L. NEAGLE,
Comptroller General.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 29.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 21, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of message and Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JONES, a message was sent to the Senate, calling the attention of that body to the violation by such action of Joint Rules which govern the General Assembly.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 30.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 21, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it agrees to the request of your House for the appointment of a Committee of Conference on matters of disagreement between the two Houses on Senate amendments to House Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort, and have appointed Messrs. Smalls and Gaillard the Committee on the part of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 31.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 21, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed the consideration of the Bill from your House entitled "A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Beef and Pork Packing Association, of the city of Charleston."

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 32.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 21, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it insists upon its amendments to House Bill to provide for the payment of the past due indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House, and respectfully asks the appointment of a Committee of Conference. Messrs. Whittemore and Swails have been appointed Committee on the part of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of Georgetown ;

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural College and Mechanics' Institute ;

A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners" as relates to the County of Abbeville.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter the Yemassee and Millen Railroad Company, in the State of South Carolina ;"

A Senate Bill to require the County Commissioners to remove imbeciles from the Lunatic Asylum to their respective Counties and Poor Houses.
Also,

A Senate Bill to authorize aliens to hold property.

The Bills were read a third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. MICKEY, from the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufacturing, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Beaufort Manufacturing and Improvement Company.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons of the State of South Carolina, and the subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWEN, from the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Georgetown, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Report of Special Committee on Bill and substitute to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the substitute and Bill.

The substitute was read.

Mr. FROST moved to lay the substitute on the table.

On this Mr. O'CONNELL called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 68; nays, 8. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan,

Maddocks, McDaniels, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—68.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Ellison, Ferguson, J. A. Green, C. D. Hayne, Humphries, Johnson, Lee and W. M. Thomas.—8.

Mr. FROST moved to reconsider the vote just taken to lay the motion on the table. Not agreed to.

The question recurred on the motion to reconsider.

A debate ensued, pending which Mr. MOBLEY moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. HUNTER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 7; nays, 71. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Ferguson, Giles, Jackson, Jamison, W. J. McDowell, Milton and Pendergrass.—7.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Humbert, Hunter, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—71.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Frost) was resumed.

A further debate ensued, pending which, (Mr. Byas, having the floor, yielded for a motion,)

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. S. GREENE called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 49; nays, 31. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Boston, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Duncan, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Lee, Levy, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey,

Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and Wilkes.—49.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Frost, Hart, Jackson, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Lloyd, Maddocks, O'Connell, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Warley, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—31.

The House then, at 4:30 P. M., adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

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Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of the motion (by Mr. Frost) to reconsider the vote whereby a substitute for a Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, was laid on the table, was resumed.

On motion of Mr. BOSEMON, the consideration of the Unfinished Business was suspended temporarily.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a quarantine at Georgetown, Charleston and Hilton Head," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend the law in relation to the license and registration of pharmacentists, apothecaries and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 14.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, February 22, 1872.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

I beg to call your attention to the following report from Dr. Otto. A. Moses on the phosphates of the seaboard, in which the State has a direct interest:

GEOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL LABORATORY,

No. 28 GEORGE STREET,

CHARLESTON, February 20, 1872.

To His Excellency ROBERT K. SCOTT, *Governor*

of the State of South Carolina:

SIR—Your request for a report on the extent, value and best methods for economizing the phosphate strata belonging to the State receives my immediate attention. The following statements are based upon my personal observation during three entire years of practical and scientific study of this remarkable deposit.

A considerable portion of each of the Counties of Charleston, Colleton and Beaufort is underlaid by two apparently distinct beds of recent formation, very interesting in their character. The upper one is composed of a stratified or imbedded rock; the other is less coherent in its nature. The principal ingredient of the upper bed (which varies from four to twelve inches in thickness) is a phosphate of lime. This material forms from fifty to seventy per cent. of the entire mass. The lower bed, varying considerably in thickness, consists, for the most part, of silicious matter and a constantly present phosphate of lime. Upon the presence of this latter substance depends the value of these strata.

Over or through these beds flow the Wando, Cooper, Ashley, Stono, Edisto, Coosaw and Bull Rivers, with their network of navigable tributaries. Their bottoms are, generally covered with the nodular masses imbedded in the phosphatic sands.

No survey has yet been instituted to determine accurately the extent of water surface under the jurisdiction of the State, representing a basis for mining operations; but it cannot be less than fifty square miles, say, thirty thousand acres. The yield of rock varies from one hundred to five hundred tons per acre. An average estimate would make the amount of phosphate rock belonging to the State, and available for mining purposes, equal to nine millions of tons. This does not include the phosphate of lime contained in the subjacent strata, which is very valuable, and easily extracted by proper washing machinery. No effort has yet been made to utilize this lower deposit.

The present value of phosphate rock is about six dollars a ton. The expense of laying a proper plan for digging the rock is considerable, and may make the cost of extraction for the first year, from three to four dollars per ton, including the State royalty; and this even will diminish in inverse proportion to the increase of demand. The average cost per ton of rock dredged in rivers is less than of that mined from land—consequently the river mining interest will regulate the markets.

With regard to protecting the phosphate deposits belonging to the State from waste, I would suggest that an agreement to that end might be made between the different chartered companies among themselves and the State. It might stipulate that mining be not conducted in an irregular or superficial manner, as this course tends to exhaust the workable deposits. Again, it would be of great importance to the mining companies that may work hereafter, that ships taking cargo be not allowed to discharge their ballast into the river as this materially deteriorates the value of the phosphate beds beneath. It would be advisable to request the United States Coast Survey to publish their maps of the above mentioned rivers in a cheap and convenient form for distribution.

In conclusion, I would call your attention to a few facts indirectly bearing upon the subject:

The Peruvian Government has given notice of the exhaustion of the guano deposits on the Chincha Islands; the Guanape will only supply the demands of the world for a short time. Since this announcement, civilized nations have sought, in every direction, a substitute for the Peruvian guano. The South Carolina phosphate strata, the potash and magnesia salts of Stassfurt, in Germany, the new source of ammonia on the Rio de la Plata, have been discovered, and will be utilized, and there is every prospect that the gradual disappearance of the Peruvian guano will not seriously affect the interests of agriculture.

Let me add that the demand, at present, for phosphatic material is greatly in excess of that for potash and ammonia.

In 1865, over ten millions of dollars returned to Peru from England alone, in exchange for her treasures of guano, and the Chincha Islands have been able to sustain all the expenses of her government for many years. But the revenues from this source will have soon disappeared, and that nation will have lost her influence on the agriculture of this age.

The State of South Carolina may take her place. I have no hesitation in declaring that five hundred thousand tons of our phosphate rock could be annually disposed of in the markets of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

OTTO. A. MOSES, Ph. D.

At this late day of the session of the General Assembly, I can say but little more than to call to your notice the importance of providing some means to insure the collection of the royalty due the State, and for guarding this valuable interest against deterioration and spoliation. There has existed a vague impression that the phosphate property of the State was very large, but it has only recently been developed that the neglected phosphatic strata, forming the beds of many of our streams, are of vast and increasing importance to the welfare of the world. These, if protected, will, in a short period of time, yield a revenue almost sufficient to supercede the necessity of levying a tax on other property. The reference, in the communication of Dr. Moses, to the revenue derived by Peru from her guano interest, will give you some conception of the value of these deposits.

I earnestly recommend that you will take such action, under the suggestions contained in my last Annual Message, as will give adequate protection of law to these most valuable possessions of the State.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

The Message was received as information, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HURLEY, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to provide for a general license law, with amendment, as follows:

Strike out, in Section 1, on the fourth line, after the word "County," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert after the word "dollars," on the fifth line, "payable quarterly, as follows: Twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of April, 1872; twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of July, 1872; twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of October, 1872; and twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of January, 1873." Strike out, on the sixth line, the word "dollars," and insert "dollars in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 2, on the fourth line, after the word "State," "the sum of fifty dollars." Strike out, on the third line, after the word "required," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "State," on the fourth line, "the sum of

twenty-five dollars for every billiard table; the sum of twenty-five dollars for every alley; and the sum of ten dollars for every bagatelle table; the same to be paid in quarterly installments on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 3, after the word "required," on the third line, the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872;" insert, after the word "dollars," on the 23d line, "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 4, after the word "required," on the sixth line, the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872;" strike out, on the thirty-seventh line, after the word "than," the words "that amount," and insert "two thousand five hundred dollars;" strike out, on the thirty-eighth line, the word "ten," and insert the word "five" in place thereof; insert, after the word "liquors," on the forty-ninth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments on the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 6, after the word "required," on the second line, the words "on or before the first of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "dollars," on the forty-ninth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 7, on the third line, after the word "State," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "dollars," on the seventeenth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 8, on the third line, after the word "County," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872;" and insert, on the seventh line, after the word "dollars," the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 11, on the third line, after the word "required," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872."

Strike out all after the word "State," on the sixth line, and insert, in place thereof, the words "the sum of five hundred dollars, the same to be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 10 strike out, on the fourth line, after the word "State," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872."

Insert after the word "dollars," on the fifth line, the words "*And provided, further,* Any person engaged in the business of selling by sample,

or any person soliciting orders, shall pay the sum of twenty-five dollars. The above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 11 strike out, on the fourth line, after the word "State," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "wire," on the twelfth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 12 strike out, after the word "State," on the fifth line, the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "dollars," on the sixth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 13 strike out, after the word "State," on the ninth line, the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert; in place thereof, the words, "on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 14 strike out, after the word "of," on the second line, the words, "March, A. D. 1872," and insert, in place thereof, the words, "April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 15 insert, after the word "of," on the second line, the words "the first quarterly installment of;" strike out, on line nine, the words "March," and insert, in place thereof, the words, "April: *Provided*, That the quarterly installments heretofore provided for shall be paid when due, or such license, so issued, shall become null and void." Strike out, on the fourteenth line, the word "March," and insert the word "April;" strike out, on the sixteenth line, the word "March," and insert "April."

In Section 17, insert, on the tenth line, after the word "General," the words "and Solicitors."

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table, to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back A Bill (favorable) to change the name of George Brown to George Regular.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the report was laid on the table, to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. SMART introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered:

Whereas this day should be commemorated by all citizens of the

United States as the birthday of George Washington, the Father of his Country; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, in respect to the natal day of "The Father of our Country," the House of Representatives do adjourn.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the further consideration of the resolution was made the Special Order for 3 P. M. this day.

Mr. BOSEMON, from the Medical Committee, reported back account of Dr. N. A. Pratt, and recommended payment of \$135.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. BOWEN, from the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Merchants' Building, Trust and Loan Association, of Aiken, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Savings Bank of Aiken.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the reports were laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Joint Stock Company of the State of South Carolina, for the benefit of the State Orphan Asylum.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table, to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

Mr. WILKES, by leave, introduced

A Bill to increase the official bond of the Clerk of the Court and Judge of Probate of Anderson County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

Mr. HEDGES introduced the following resolution, which was ordered to lie over for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved, That the Metropolitan District Police Bill, for the County of Charleston, (introduced by the member from Charleston, Mr. Hedges,) be taken from the files of the House, and placed upon the Calendar.

Mr. YOCOM introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was immediately considered:

Whereas it is believed that the purchasers of the Columbia Canal have

neglected, in important particulars, to fulfill their contract, according to the intent and meaning of an Act, approved the 21st day of September, A. D. 1868, authorizing the sale of the Columbia Canal ; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, the Senate concurring, That a commission, to consist of the Committees on Internal Improvements and Penitentiary, on the part of the House, and on the part of the Senate, be appointed to investigate the same.

Resolved, further, That said Committee shall have power to send for persons and papers, examine witnesses, and to employ such experts or engineering assistance as to them shall seem proper. They shall inspect, personally, and examine minutely, into the stability and sufficiency of the work performed upon the canal, and if the same shall be found to be, in all particulars, according to contract, and to conform, in all respects, to the Act authorizing the sale of said canal, they shall approve the same, and the said contract shall stand confirmed ; but if it shall be found that the work has been performed in an insufficient manner, and shall in any wise fall short of the conditions of the sale, and of the provisions of said Act, then, and in that case, the said Committee shall condemn the said work, and the said sale shall be declared null and void, and the said Columbia Canal shall forthwith revert to, and be taken possession of by, the State : *Provided*, That said Committee report during the session of the present General Assembly.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend the resolution by making it a Special Committee of five, to be selected from the Committee on the Penitentiary and Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the amendment was laid on the table, and, under the Rules, the resolution was carried with it.

Mr. YOCOM also introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. L. CAIN introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted.

Resolved, That on and after Friday, February 23, this House do have two sessions each day, the first to commence at 12 M. and adjourn at 3 P. M.; the second to commence at 7 P. M. and adjourn at pleasure ; and during such sessions, no member shall be allowed to speak more than twice, nor longer than ten minutes each time on any one subject.

The SPEAKER announced Messrs. Whipper, Frost and Jones as a Committee of Conference, to meet the Committee appointed on the

part of the Senate, to adjust differences on a Bill to provide for the payment of the past due indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House.

A message was sent to the Senate accordingly.

Mr. CREWS presented the accounts of R. E. Richardson, C. M. Miller and T. B. Crews.

Referred to the Committee on Contingent Accounts.

Also, presented the accounts of the Laurens Herald for advertising election notice.

Referred to the Committee on Public Printing.

Mr. Holmes obtained leave of absence for five days.

Mr. ADAMSON presented the account of Stephen Garey, of Kershaw County, for services as school teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. COUSART, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill for the relief of Lancaster County, to issue bills receivable to the amount of \$18,000.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. ALLEN presented the presentment of the Grand Jury of Marion County, for February Term, 1872.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 33.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 14, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it refuses to concur in the substitute from your House for Senate concurrent resolution to adjourn *sine die* the 16th of February, 1872. The resolution and substitute are herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

The Senate sent to this House

A concurrent resolution that the General Assembly adjourn *sine die* on the 29th instant.

Mr. LEE moved to amend the resolution by striking out "February 29," and inserting "March 4."

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the consideration of the resolution was made the Special Order for February 27, at 2 P. M.

Mr. YOCOM moved to take up from the table an amendment proposed (by Mr. Jamison) to a concurrent resolution, appointing a Committee to examine into and report upon the work on the Columbia Canal. Agreed to.

The motion (by Mr. Jamison) was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the further consideration of the resolution was made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 3 P. M.

Resolution (by Mr. Smart) that this House do adjourn, in honor of Washington's birthday.

The resolution was agreed to, and the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The consideration of the Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of the motion (by Mr. Frost) to reconsider the vote whereby a substitute for a Bill to make appropriation and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, was laid on the table, was resumed.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the further consideration of the Unfinished Business was made the Special Order for 7:30 P. M.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back a Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, S. C., to approve certain claims of teachers.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Darlington Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Darlington, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Abbeville Agricultural Society;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Firemen's Union, of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Charleston Homestead Association;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association;

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Farmers', Laborers' and Mechanics' Land Company, of Orangeburg County, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Waccamaw and Little River Canal Company;"

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Journeymen Mechanics' Union, of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williston;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to extend the limits of the town of Camden;"

A Senate Bill (favorable) to renew and amend the charter of the town of Lowndesville, Abbeville County, S. C.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. O'CONNELL, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading the following :

A Bill to provide for general and special elections, and the manner of conducting the same.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWLEY, Section 12 was amended by striking out all after the word "require," on the fifth line, to the word "counted," on the seventh line, (manuscript Bill,) and inserting "if, in counting, two or more like ballots shall be found folded together compactly, only one shall be counted, and the others destroyed ; but if they bear different names, the same shall be destroyed, and not counted."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. MYERS, from Special Joint Committee, submitted the following

REPORT :

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives

of the State of South Carolina :

GENTLEMEN—The Joint Special Committee appointed by concurrent resolution to investigate the mining and removing from the navigable streams and rivers of this State phosphate and phosphatic deposits, beg leave to report that they met at Charleston on ——— February, 1872, that they met again, at Charleston and Columbia, at divers times thereafter, for the purpose of making a thorough examination of the matter to them referred by the resolution aforesaid. The only company, chartered by the Legislature, now in operation, is the River Marine Mining Company, who, through their Treasurer, R. Tomlinson, made the following statement, under oath :

There are four companies digging in the navigable streams, as follows :

Oak Point Mining Company ;

Marine River Phosphate Mining Company ;

Coosaw Mining Company ;

Williman's Island Company.

The Coosaw Mining Company is associated with us, for the purpose of digging and mining in Coosaw River, but their business is managed separately ; they make returns of amount of rock dug to us.

The Oak Point Mining Company is also associated with us for the purpose of digging in the North and South Wimbu Creeks, but claim that they have not, as yet, dug in the navigable streams, but hold themselves ready to pay royalty whenever they do so.

The Williman's Island Company claim that they own to low water mark, under a grant from the Governor of the State, and are not digging in the navigable streams.

The following statement hereunto attached, marked "A," shows the amount of rock dug, mined and carried away from the beds of the rivers and navigable streams of this State:

A.

Statement of Phosphate Rock Dug, Mined and Shipped by the Marine and River Phosphate Mining and Manufacturing Company, of South Carolina, for the Year ending October 1, 1871.

DATE.	WHERE SHIPPED.	TONS.
Oct. 15	Per Brig Concord, to Baltimore.....	458
25	Bark Monsoon, to Bristol.....	392
Nov. 19	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta, Ga.....	15.800
26	Steamer Sea Gull, to Baltimore.....	22.720
26	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	26.1760
Dec. 7	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	44.1440
23	Schooner Ida Richardson, to Baltimore.....	280.2059
Jan. 14	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	45.1200
24	Bark Lillie M., to Grenock.....	500
Feb. 3	Schooner Sea Green, to Baltimore.....	133.2091
11	Wm. Denning, to Baltimore.....	264.863
11	Schooner H. G. Fay, to Baltimore.....	293.1340
25	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	22.720
27	Brig Prothesa, to Cork.....	243.1625
Mch. 4	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	22.720
7	Bark Hawk Eye, to London.....	728.1235
Feb. 14	Schooner Myrover, to New York.....	89.640
Mch. 15	Brig Eliza Hunter, to London.....	420
28	Brig Kilvey, to London....	460
April 4	Schooner Ella Mathews, to Baltimore.....	53.1280
14	Bark Maggie, to London.....	570
May 2	Brig Sir Robert McChene, to Plymouth.....	330
23	Ship Damio, to London.	1,075
25	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	21.960
30	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta.....	21.960
June 1	South Carolina Railroad, to Augusta..	26.360
7	Bark Alma, to London.....	480
14	Schooner Myrover, to Orient.....	405.800
16	Bark Langit, to Liverpool.....	36
20	Schooner Henrietta Hill, to Baltimore.....	81.727
26	Bark Esperador, to Bristol.....	800
	Amount carried forward.....	8,354

Statement.—Concluded.

DATE.	WHERE SHIPPED.	TONS.
	Amount brought forward.....	8,354
July 6	Per Schooner Pacific, to Baltimore.....	89.640
11	Bark Stella Marie, to London.....	900.160
13	Schooner J. H. Stickney, to Baltimore.....	366
28	Bark Nellie Merryman, to Grenock.....	920
Aug. 19	Bark Cariban, to London.....	800
29	Schooner J. H. Stickney, to Baltimore.....	370
Sept. 4	Ship Canada, to London.....	1,750
5	Bark Balmacara, to Cork.....	600
11	Bark Kathleen, to Liverpool.....	80
18	Bark Aridin, to London.	540
23	Steamer Millbank, to Liverpool.....	80
28	Bark Robert Bulsford, to London.....	800
30	Sale in this city.....	776
		16,425
30	Coosaw Mining Company.....	1,220
		17,645

The difference between the amount reported, 17,655 tons, and the amount shipped, your Committee have not been able accurately to ascertain, but are satisfied that, at the least, it is double the amount above stated, and is accounted for by the fact that the Williman's Island Company and the Oak Point Company claim that they are not liable for royalty, as they are not digging in the navigable streams. This, gentlemen, is now in the Courts of the State and of the United States, and, should the decision be against the Companies aforesaid, they are ready to pay all dues to the State.

We have carefully considered the testimony brought before the Committee, and we must acknowledge that the light we can lay before your honorable body is very meagre. It was impossible for us to determine the amount of phosphate rock shipped from the ports of the State which had been extracted from the beds of navigable streams. It would have been necessary for us to have written to all portions of the world to obtain this desirable information. We know, however, that cargoes have been shipped to nearly all the ports of this country, and that European markets have been generally supplied with some of these treasures belonging to the people of South Carolina.

Our only vouchers for the royalty due the State are the returns made or paid by officials of the River and Marine Mining Company, of which the Hon. D. T. Corbin is President.

This Company has been in existence for two years, and they have spent, we are informed by them, two hundred thousand dollars in that time, and yet the stock of the Company is in demand. We cannot but call to mind that if a corporation do not pay any dividends, it will not attract the attention which the River and Marine Mining Company have received in the stock exchange market.

The River and Marine Mining Company have made returns to the State Auditor, as the result of their vast mining operations during two entire years, with all the assistance of the most improved and efficient machinery, dredges, washers, steam tugs, flats, and the resources of an endless purse, of the trifling sum of \$20,000!

We must accept the returns of the River and Marine Mining Company. We have no other evidence, and can have none other, until the Legislature has adopted the proper course. This will be to appoint some competent person, as recommended by the Governor, in his Special Message on the subject, whose duty shall be to look after the interest of the State.

Our labors are at an end. We would have been pleased to have rendered more service to the State by our investigations, but we have had nothing reliable to base our inquiries upon. Not until some one shall have been appointed, whose especial and constant business it will be to make accurate reports to the proper authorities of what amount of phosphate rock has been taken from the State, never to return, can we believe that there will be a proper administration of this most valuable property of the State. We are distressed at the prospect that everything will be done to prevent legislation on this vital question.

Gentlemen, you are about passing a special Act to protect the few birds whose lives are a sacrifice to the thoughtless sportsman. Will you not see that the vast treasure lying beneath our rivers are similarly protected? On their utilization depends the welfare of the entire people of South Carolina.

Most respectfully submitted.

ROBERT SMALLS,

Chairman of Committee on part of the Senate.

N. B. MYERS,

Chairman of Committee on part of the House.

On motion of Mr. J. N. HAYNE, the further consideration of the report was made the Special Order for Tuesday, February 27, at 1:30 P. M.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to charter the State Savings and Insurance Bank, of Anderson, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Mishaw Zouaves, of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. T. A. DAVIS, the Bill and title was amended by striking out the word "Zouaves," wherever it occurs, and inserting the words "Light Infantry."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry, of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill for the relief of widows and orphans of persons killed by the Ku Klux was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, Section 1 was amended by inserting between the words "Newberry" and "and," the word "Edgefield."

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, Section 1 was further amended by adding to the Section the words "*Provided, That if in any County said levy of one-half mill shall be more than sufficient for the support of the widows and orphans aforesaid in said County, then said excess shall be applied to the School Fund, to be disbursed according to law.*"

On motion of Mr. GUFFIN, Section 1 was further amended by inserting after the word "Fairfield," the word "Abbeville."

The Bill was read the second time, and on the question of ordering the Bill to be engrossed,

Mr. R. M. SMITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 71; nays, 16. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes and Yocom.—71.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Hagood, Litchfield, Miles, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—16.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property," passed December 15, 1868, and all Acts amendatory thereto, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to abolish the office of State Auditor, and confer the duties of his office upon the Comptroller General, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

Concurrent resolution (by Mr. Yocom) to appoint a Committee to examine into and report upon the work on the Columbia Canal.

Mr. THOMPSON moved to strike out the resolving clause of the resolution.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 38 ; nays, 42. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bowen, Bryan, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ford, Gantt, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hudson, Hunter, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Lloyd, Logan, Mobley, Mickey, Nchemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, Small, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—38.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Myers, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom —42.

On the question of adopting the resolution, and ordering it sent to the Senate,

Mr. WALLACE called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Bosemon, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Elliott,

Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—51.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bowen, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Gantt, Samuel Greene, Hedges, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Nehemias, Ramsay, Simons, Small, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, Thompson, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—29.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the salary of the late Judge Platt to his widow was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, of Aiken, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to renew the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to regulate the pay of the members of the General Assembly was taken up.

The second reading of the Bill was continued.

The consideration of the amendment to the amendment (proposed by Mr. Holmes) to strike out the word "six" and insert the word "five" was resumed.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the amendment to the amendment was indefinitely postponed.

The amendment by the Committee, to strike out "one thousand" and insert the words "six hundred" was adopted; also, by striking out all the words in the Section after the word "Assembly," on the third line.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to charter the Big House Ferry over Beaufort River, in Beaufort County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, A. F. M., of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to re-charter Mountain Lodge, No. 15, I. O. O. F., of Greenville, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay C. Baring Farmer the sum of \$750, for extra services rendered as Judge for Colleton County, in 1868, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 7:30 P. M.

Consideration of motion (by Mr. Frost) to reconsider the vote whereby a substitute for a Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, to consider the Special Order and matters relative thereto.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Mr. LEE was called to the chair.

Mr. BYAS offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, grave doubts and misunderstandings seem to exist among the members of this Committee, as to the statements of the Comptroller General in reference to the public debt; therefore,

Resolved, That the Comptroller General be requested to address this Committee in reference to the matter, and in connection therewith on the appropriation Bill now before this Committee.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to wait upon the Comptroller General and inform him of the request of the Committee.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Jamison and A. L. Singleton.

The Comptroller General, Hon. J. L. Neagle, appeared, was introduced, and addressed the Committee on matters relative to the necessity of passing some measure looking to an increased taxation, sufficient to meet the present obligations of the State, and the necessary expenses to carry on the State Government.

After debate,

Mr. BYAS offered the following resolution, which, on motion of Mr. KEITH, was laid on the table :

Resolved, That the Committee do now rise, and recommend to the House of Representatives that the vote, whereby it laid on the table the substitute for the Appropriation Bill, be reconsidered.

Mr. O'CONNELL offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee do now rise, and recommend that the original Bill, reported by the Committee on Ways and Means, be taken up for consideration.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

Mr. LEE, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported that the Committee had resolved to recommend that the original Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, be taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted as the sense of the House.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved that the original Bill, together with the substitute, be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means, with instructions to report to-morrow, at 2 P. M. Agreed to.

The House proceeded to the consideration of

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of South Carolina was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 3 P. M.

A Bill conferring upon the County Commissioners certain powers in relation to the license and sale of spirituous liquors was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to regulate scales, weights and measures in all cities, towns and villages in the State of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JONES moved to strike out the enacting clause.

A debate ensued, pending which Mr. W. M. THOMAS moved to adjourn. Agreed to.

At 9:45 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. E. J. Adams, of Charleston.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday, at the hour of adjournment, being a Bill to regulate Scales, Weights and Measures in the State of South Carolina, was taken up.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. Jones) to strike out the enacting clause, was resumed.

Mr. GANTT offered a substitute for the Bill, entitled "A Bill to regulate the use of Scales, Weights and Measures within the State of South Carolina."

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, the substitute was adopted, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back the accounts of J. M. Allen, John Williams, H. Solomons, Carolina Printing Company, W. Gurney, Bank and Trust Company, and others, with the recommendation that they be paid.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and the accounts ordered to be paid.

Mr. HURLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported (favorably) on the following Bills :

A Bill to charter the Bull River and Port Royal Railroad Company ;

A Bill to charter the Raleigh, Columbia and Augusta Air Line Railroad Company ;

A Bill to charter the Lancaster Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, submitted the following report :

The Committee on Enrolled Acts beg leave to report that they, at 12.15 P. M. this day, presented to the Governor for approval the following Acts, namely :

An Act to change the names of Lee Abrams, John Abrams, Dunklin Abrams and Mary Abrams, to Lee Ferguson, John Ferguson, Dunklin, Ferguson and Mary Ferguson, respectively, and to permit Charles M. Ferguson to adopt and make them his lawful heirs ;

An Act to incorporate the Brotherly Association, of Charleston, South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the town of Lewisville, S. C.;

Also,

An Act to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the town of Cokesbury."

Received as information.

Mr. HURLEY, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported verbally that the Committee had considered the general appropriation Bill, and requested further time to make their report.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, the time was extended until Wednesday, February 28th.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably on a Bill to alter and amend Section 313 of Title 9, Chapter 1, of an Act entitled " An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts in this State ;" and to repeal Sections 314 and 316 of same Title, Chapter and Act.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading, the following :

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to establish a quarantine at Georgetown, Charleston and Hilton Head ;"

A Senate Bill to charter the State Savings and Insurance Bank, of Anderson, S. C.;

A Senate Bill to abolish the office of State Auditor, and confer the duties of his office upon the Comptroller General.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also,

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay the salary of the late Judge Platt to his widow.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, reported back

A Bill to incorporate the Mishaw Light Infantry, of Charleston, South Carolina;

A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry, of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, of Aiken, South Carolina;

A Bill for the relief of the widows and orphans of persons killed by the Ku Klux;

A Bill to charter Big House Ferry over Beaufort River, in the County of Beaufort;

A Bill to renew the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston;

A Bill to incorporate the Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, of Ancient Free Masons, of South Carolina;

A Bill to regulate the pay of the members of the General Assembly;

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to C. Baring Farmer the sum of \$750.00 for extra services rendered as District Judge, Colleton County, in 1868;

A Bill conferring upon the County Commissioners certain powers in relation to the license and sale of spirituous liquors;

A Bill to amend the law in relation to the license and registration of pharmacutists, apothecaries and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons;

A Bill to recharter the Mountain Lodge, No. 15, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenville, S. C.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, &c.

The SPEAKER presented the following communication, which was received as information, and ordered to lie over for consideration:

COLUMBIA, February 24, 1872.

Hon. F. J. MOSES, Jr., Speaker House of Representatives:

SIR—By direction of the Columbia Board of Trade, I have the honor to hand you herewith copy of resolutions passed at their meeting, held the 23d instant, and to request that you lay the same before your honorable body.

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

JAS. E. BLACK,

Secretary Board of Trade.

At a meeting of the Columbia Board of Trade, held at Board Rooms, 23d February, 1872, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, the material prosperity of the city would be promoted by the construction of a dam across the Congaree, as proposed by the Columbia Water Power Company.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, the Legislature, in granting this privilege of building the dam by the Columbia Water Power Company, in the place designated, should require said dam to be built within one year from the granting of said privilege.

(Signed)

JAS. E. BLACK,

Secretary Board of Trade.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS introduced

A Joint Resolution to give the large chandelier formerly suspended in the hall of the House of Representatives to the Military Hall, Charleston, S. C.

The Joint Resolution was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on State House and Grounds.

Mr. MOBLEY introduced

A Joint Resolution to authorize and empower the Governor to grant and convey all the right, title and interest of the State in a certain lot of land in the city of Columbia to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in trust, as herein mentioned.

The Joint Resolution was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also, by leave, introduced

A Bill to relieve the State of all liability on account of the guaranty by the State of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad bonds.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

On motion of Mr. LEE, it was

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

Bill to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BERRY, Section 3 was amended by inserting, after the word "State," the words "or dig, mine or remove any phosphate rock, stone or phosphatic deposits, or to interfere with."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to incorporate the Florence, Bennettsville and Fayetteville Railroad, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to alter sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SELLERS, Section 4 was amended by striking out, in paragraphs one and two, the word "August," wherever it occurs, and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "September."

Also, by striking out, in paragraphs 3 and 4, the word "September," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "October."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Deutscher Bruderlicher Bund, of the city of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Trial Justices," approved February 28, 1870, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LEE, Section 1 was amended by adding the words "strike out 'Edgefield, eight,' and insert 'Edgefield, ten.'"

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Spartanburg, twelve,' and insert 'Spartanburg, thirteen.'"

On motion of Mr. MYERS, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Beaufort, ten,' and insert 'Beaufort, twelve.'"

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Orangeburg, seven,' and insert 'Orangeburg, twelve.'"

On motion of Mr. WHITE, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'York, eight,' and insert 'York, eleven.'"

On motion of Mr. ADAMSON, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words "strike out 'Kershaw, six,' and insert 'Kershaw, eight.'"

On motion of Mr. CRITTENDEN, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Greenville, eight,' and insert 'Greenville, ten.'"

On motion of Mr. SELLERS, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Marion, six,' and insert 'Marion, nine.'"

On motion of Mr. HUMBERT, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Darlington, seven,' and insert 'Darlington, eight.'"

On motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words "strike out 'Colleton, eight,' and insert 'Colleton, ten.'"

On motion of Mr. BOWLEY, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Georgetown, five,' and insert 'Georgetown, six.'"

On motion Mr. HAGOOD, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Pickens, five,' and insert 'Pickens, six.'"

On motion of Mr. DUSENBURY, Section 1 was further amended by adding the words, "strike out 'Horry, seven,' and insert 'Horry, eight.'"

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to extend the limits of the town of Camden," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars to the County of Abbeville, to be used in building a Court House for said County, in the town of Abbeville, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MYERS moved to amend the Bill so as to apply the same provisions to the County of Beaufort.

On the question of adopting the amendment,

Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 29 ; nays, 51. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Cousart, Crittenden, Dennis, Duncan, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Samuel Greene, Guffin, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Hunter, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Levy, Logan, Mead, Myers, Nehemias, R. M. Smith, Taylor and Wofford.—29.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Lee, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.—51.

Mr. S. GREENE moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill. Agreed to.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Joint Stock Company, of the State of South Carolina, for the benefit of the State Orphan Asylum, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Senate Bill authorizing the Town Council of the town of Newberry to erect a market house on a lot of land belonging to the County of Newberry, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Red Bank Manufacturing Company, of Lexington County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners to examine the books and papers in the offices of County Auditor and Treasurer was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a school in the State Penitentiary was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Education.

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Port Royal Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways" was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the consideration of the Bill was made the Special Order for Monday next, at 1 P. M.

A Bill to make jury certificates preferred claims on the several County Treasurers was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading,

Pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned, till Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. M. THOMAS.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of Saturday, at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to make Jury certificates preferred claims on the several County Treasurers, was resumed.

Mr. FROST moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. LANG called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 38. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative. are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humphries, Hurley, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—51.—

Those voting in the negative, are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Humbert, Jackson, Jervey, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mead, Milton, Mickey, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—38.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back, without recommendation,

A Bill to amend Section 27½ of an Act entitled “An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries.”

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back the following:

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) appropriating \$150 out of the poll tax, collected in Newberry County, for the purpose of furnishing desks in the Hoge School.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, account of Stephen Garey, for services as school teacher, and recommended that it be referred to the School Commissioner of Kershaw County, with instructions to pay the same, if found correct.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Also, on petition of L. S. Langley, by a Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to L. S. Langley, late School Commissioner of Beaufort County, the sum of \$137.45.

Read the first time, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also,

A Joint Resolution (unfavorable) compelling the School Commissioner of Fairfield County to establish certain schools.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HEDGES, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Edisto, Caw Caw and Waitis Creek Canal Company, with the following amendment:

After the name of “A. J. Ransier,” add the names of “P. P. Hedges, B. Byas, W. R. Jervey.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the South Carolina Water Power Company.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the consideration of the Bill was made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

Also,

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charter of certain towns and villages therein mentioned."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading:

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston;

A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners to examine books and other papers in the offices of County Auditor and Treasurer;

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to provide for the appointment of an Inspector of Phosphates, and to declare his duties.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

A Bill to require County Commissioners to give bond for the use of the County in which they have been elected.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the fees of Probate Judges, Clerks of Courts, Trial Justices and Magistrates, and other officers herein mentioned.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.
Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 34.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 26, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has agreed to the report of the Senate Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, which recommended that a Bill from your House entitled "A Bill to authorize and require the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of the Armstrong Ford Road, in said County," be referred to the County Commissioners of York County, who have ample power and authority, under Sections 2 and 4 of the 44th Chapter of the Code, to do what is sought to be accomplished by the Bill.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also,

Concurrent resolution to appoint a Special Joint Committee on the memorial of the American Women Suffrage Association.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEE, it was

Ordered, That hereafter the call of Counties be dispensed with for the remainder of this session.

Mr. JERVEY introduced

A Bill to establish a company, under the name of the Sullivan's Island Ferry Company, and to modify the charter of the Mount Pleasant Ferry Company, and for other purposes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Sumter Land, Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Sumter, S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. JAMISON introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted :

Resolved, That whereas there is nearly one-third of the Calendar of

this House composed of Bills and resolutions reported unfavorable; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the following numbers be taken up, and made a Special Order for 7½ o'clock, this evening: Nos. 313, 421, 422, 360, 428, 362, 430, 366, 373, 292, 374, 286, 376, 304, 378, 306, 380, 317, 382, 318.

The House proceeded to the consideration of

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill (favorable) to alter and amend the charter of the town of Pendleton was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, Section 1 was amended by striking out, on line 1, the word "own," and inserting the word "reside;" also, by striking out all the words after the word "Pendleton," on line 2, to the word "shall," on line 3.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, Section 2 was amended by striking out all the words on line 6 to the word "at."

Also, by striking out, on line seven, the word "ten," and inserting the word "thirty."

Also, by inserting, on line twelve, between the words "shall" and "proclaim," the words "count the ballots and."

Also, on line seventeen, by inserting, between the words "will" and "equally," the words "support and defend the Constitution of the United States and this State, and."

On motion of Mr. WILKES, Section 3 was amended by striking out, on line four, the word "ten," and inserting "thirty."

On motion of Mr. WILKES, Section 4 was amended by striking out, on nineteenth line, the word "fifty," and inserting the word "twenty."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for agricultural purposes," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 1 as follows, was adopted, by adding to the Section the words:

"Blacksmiths, for work done on plantation tools, who pursue their trade or calling not within the limits of any incorporated city, town or village within this State."

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the following was adopted, by adding to the Section: "*Provided*, That the fee for each and every visit by a physician, shall not exceed one dollar, and ten cents per mile, which prices will embrace the prescription."

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, Section 2 was amended by adding to the Section the words, "and also, to blacksmiths who claim liens for work performed."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution (by Mr. Hedges) to take up from the table the Metropolitan Police Bill and place the same on the Calendar, was taken up.

The resolution was adopted.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the School Commissioner of Union County to approve certain claims of teachers, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to appoint a Committee to examine into the sale of the Blue Ridge Railroad stock, owned by the State, and to provide for the recovery of the same, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out.

A Bill authorizing James C. Thompson and wife, Elizabeth Thompson, to adopt the child of Mary Couch, give it the name of James Lawrence Orr Thompson, and make it their heir, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons, of the State of South Carolina, and the subordinate, Lodges under its jurisdiction, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, Section 1 was amended by inserting the name "H. H. Hunter" among the list of incorporators.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to establish an inferior Court for the trial of criminal cases, in the County of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the blank in Section 3, fifth line, was filled by inserting the words "three thousand."

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the Bill was amended by the adoption of the following as Section 11:

"SEC. 11. That on and after the passage of this Act, the Court known as the Recorder's Court, of the city of Charleston, is hereby abolished."

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the vote whereby Section 3 was passed to a third reading was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, Section 3 was amended by striking out the words "three thousand," and inserting the words "two thousand."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to require passenger trains on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad to stop at Hamburg.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, Section 1 was amended by striking out, on line 7, the word "fifteen," and inserting the word "thirty."

On motion of Mr. FROST, Section 1 was further amended by adding to the Section: "*Provided*, Said lot shall not be sold for less than one hundred (100) dollars per foot; said measurement to be made on the streets bounding the same."

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, Section 1 was further amended by adding to the amendment (by Mr. Frost) the following: "And that all the proceeds over and above the amount of purchase of a new site, shall be deposited in the Treasury of the County, and shall be drawn out on the warrant of the Commissioners: *Provided*, That no more than one-half of the above deposit shall be drawn or paid, until the Court House is completed and received by the County Commissioners as being completed according to contract."

On motion of Mr. FROST, Section 2 was amended by inserting, after the word "purchase," on line 2, the words "or accept."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, Section 3 was stricken out.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to encourage the rebuilding of the waste places in the city of Charleston, to make employment for the mechanics and laboring people, and for other purposes, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this Mr. HURLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 42; nays, 41. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Boston, Bowley, E. Cain, Dannerly, James Davis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Goggins, Samuel Greene, John A. Green, Hart, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, Pender-

grass, Ramsay, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Sumpter, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley and White.—42.

Those voting in the negative are :

Me-srs. Allen, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Cou-sart, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Hurley, Jervey, Lee, Lloyd, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wm. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—41.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and, a quorum not answering to their names,

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 7:10 P. M., the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY, 27, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to hold persons responsible for selling property of defective, unsound or doubtful title ;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to re-

wise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State, with the following amendment:

Strike out the words, "for like services in criminal cases," on the last line of Section 1.

A Senate Bill (favorable) to empower fathers to legitimize certain children by last will and testament.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table, to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. MICKEY, from the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures, reported back the following:

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company;

A Senate Bill (favorable) to provide for the appointment of an Inspector of Phosphates, and to declare his duties.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts;

A Bill to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Trial Justices," approved February 28, 1870;

A Bill to charter the Florence, Bennettsville and Fayetteville Railroad.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Deutscher Bruderlicher Bund, of the city of Charleston;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to extend the limits of the town of Camden;

A Senate Bill authorizing the Town Council of the town of Newberry to erect a Market House on a lot of land belonging to the County of Newberry.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. SIMONS, pursuant to notice, and by leave, introduced

A Bill to renew the charter of the congregation of the Derekh Emeth or Path of Truth, of the city of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Also, the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly of South Carolina do hereby request the Congress of the United States, now in session, to pass an Act at an early day whereby the political disabilities of the Hon. James D. Tradewell, a citizen of the United States, and of the said State, resident in the city of Columbia, shall be removed.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution, properly certified, be forthwith transmitted to the members of Congress, Senators and Representatives, from this State, with the request to lay the same before Congress and urge the immediate passage of a Bill for the purpose specified.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 15.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
COLUMBIA, February 27, 1872.

To the Honorable, Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR --I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following :

An Act to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the town of Cokesbury ;"

An Act to incorporate the Brotherly Association, of Charleston, S. C. ;

An Act to change the names of Lee Abrams, John Abrams, Dunklin Abrams and Mary Abrams, to Lee Ferguson, John Ferguson, Dunklin Ferguson and Mary Ferguson, respectively, and to permit Charles M. Ferguson to adopt them, and make them his lawful heirs.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

Mr. LEE, by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution authorizing the purchase of a suitable building at Hamburg, to be used as an armory for the Ninth Regiment, S. C. N. G.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HOLMES, by leave, introduced

A Bill to amend Chapter XIII entitled "A Chapter of the Collection of taxes."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and Judiciary, jointly.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Anderson Farmers' and Mechanics' Association was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster Riflemen was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to exempt the Benedict Institute from taxes was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Georgetown, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to establish a public ferry in Fairfield County was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to charter the Raleigh, Columbia and Augusta Air Line Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Report of Special Joint Committee appointed to investigate the returns of the Phosphate Companies.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the report was referred to the Committee on Mines, Mining and Manufactures.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments,

A Bill to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the amendment was concurred in.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, the following :

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1872.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 35.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 27, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that Messrs. Whittemore, McIntyre, Maxwell, Holcombe and Nash, have been appointed a Committee, on the part of the Senate, to meet a Committee, on the part of your House, on memorial of Woman's Suffrage Association.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced as Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. C. D. Hayne, Whipper, Hunter, Crittenden, Byas, Frost and Yocom, to meet the Committee of the Senate to consider the memorial of the American Woman's Suffrage Association.

A message was sent to the Senate.

Also, the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 36.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 27, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on causes of disagreements between the two Houses, on Senate amendments to House Bill, to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

A Joint Resolution appropriating one hundred and fifty dollars of the poll tax collected in Newberry County, for the purpose of furnishing desks for the Hoge school, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Rivers Guards, of Hamburg, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to permit James McCullough to adopt, change the name of, and make his lawful heir, Joseph Allen Stepp, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to re-open a public highway in Richland County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 31 ; nays, 39. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Briggs, Corwin, Dusenbury, Farr, Ferguson, Gantt, Giles, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Hunter, Johnson, Kennedy, Levy, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, Reedish, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton and White.—31.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Duncan, Ellison, Ford, Gaither, Garey, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Jamison, Keith, Lee, Maddocks, Milton, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, Ramsay, Saunders, Small, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and Wilkes.—39.

Pending the further consideration of the Bill, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Water Power Company.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Special Order was discharged, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1:30 P. M.

The consideration of the business previously before the House was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

Senate concurrent resolution to adjourn *sine die*, February 29.

Mr. LEE moved to amend the resolution by striking out "February 29," and inserting "March 9."

On this, Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 33 ; nays, 50. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Barker, L. Cain, Dannerly, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Garey, Glover, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jones, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Saunders, Smart, A. Smith and Sumpter.—33.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Farr, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Logan, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Small, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, Wilson and Wofford.—50.

Mr. NEHEMIAS moved to amend the resolution by striking out "February 29," and inserting "March 7." Adopted.

The resolution was adopted, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

The consideration of the business previously before the House (a Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken) was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A Bill to provide for a general license law was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BOSEMON, the Bill was made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Manufacturing and Improvement Company was taken up.

On motion of Mr. S. GREENE, Section 1 was amended by striking out all the names in the Section after the name "Bascomb."

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 86; nays, 8. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, John A. Green, Guffin, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—86.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Briggs, Bryan, Gaither, Garey, Harris, Jackson, Milton and Mobley.—8.

Mr. WILKES introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives be authorized to furnish the Judiciary Committee with a duplicate copy of a Senate Bill to regulate the appointment and salary of Trial Justices in the city of Charleston.

A Bill to alter and amend Section 313 of Title 9, Chapter 1, of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the Rules, Practice, Pleadings and Forms of the Courts in this State," and to repeal Sections 314 and 316 of the same Title, Chapter and Act, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Firemen's Union, of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Building, Trust and Loan Association, of Aiken, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to regulate the responsibility of parties holding collaterals as security for loans was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Darlington Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Darlington, South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HUMBERT, Section 1 was amended by adding to the list of corporators the following names: "J. W. Thomas, Edward Mickey, A. P. Ford, Richard Ford, F. J. Pugh, Adam Bristow, William A. Grant, J. D. Warley and A. L. Singleton."

Also, by striking out all the words, in the eleventh line, (printed Bill) to the word "shall," and inserting the words "five thousand shares, of the value of twenty-five dollars per share; but as soon as two thousand shares."

Also, by striking out, on the last line of Section 5, the word "ten," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "twenty."

Also, by adding the following, as Section 6 of the Bill, and changing Section 6 to Section 7:

"SEC. 6. That if any officer, or sub-officer, of the said Association, shall use the moneys of said Association, other than those prescribed by this Act, he shall, on proof thereof, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and sentenced to pay a fine of twice the amount of money so appropriated, and imprisoned for a term not less than six months."

Mr. BARKER introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Be it resolved, That the Committee on Railroads be, and they are hereby, required to report, on or before the 28th of February, a Bill to incorporate the Greenwood and Augusta Railroad.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading:

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Joint Stock Company, of the State of South Carolina, for the benefit of the State Orphan Asylum.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, the title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Ninety-Six was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Mt. Pleasant" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend the charter of the town of Lancaster was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. COUSART, Section 1 was amended by striking out the word "half," line five, printed Bill.

Also, Section 3 was amended by striking out, on the fifth and sixth

lines, the words "Intendant and Wardens," and inserting the words "Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the following Bills were taken up, laid upon the table, and a message sent to the Senate accordingly :

A Senate Bill to provide for special elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;"

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same," approved March 1, 1870 ;

A Bill to alter and amend Section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act providing for general elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;"

A Bill legalizing certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, Section 1 of the Bill was amended by striking out the word "colored."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing certain persons to have transcribed, for the County of Oconee, so much of the records of the late District of Pickens as relates to the County of Oconee, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' Mining and Manufacturing Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Section 6 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to lay on the table the motion to strike out the enacting clause.

On this, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 72; nays, 7. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Giles, Glover, Goodsoon, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J.

N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—72.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Barker, Briggs, Crittenden, Dannerly, Gantt, Mead and Mobley.—7.

Mr. JAMISON moved to reconsider the vote whereby Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 63 ; nays, 34. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, Crews, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gardner, Glover, Goodson, John A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Logan, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—63.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Andell, Berry, Boston, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Hudson, Jackson, Johnson, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, A. L. Singleton, Sullivan, Talbert, Wallace, Warley and White.—34.

On the question of passing Section 7 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 64 ; nays, 24. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goodson, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy,

Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellars, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—64.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Cousart, Crittenden, Dannerly, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Lee, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Ramsey, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, Small, Sullivan, Warley and White.—24.

On the question of passing the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it to be engrossed,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 67 ; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Barry, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, Mead, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—67.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Boston, Briggs, Corwin, Cousart, Gantt, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Ramsay, Reedish and White.—14.

A Bill to authorize the building of a bridge to connect the islands of North and South Edisto, at the location of the old bridge, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to suspend the business before the House, in order to make a motion.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to indefinitely postpone the motion to suspend.

On this, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 72 ; nays, 16. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bowley, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden,

Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levv, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehe-mias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—72.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Harris, Lee, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Nuckles, Rivers, Small, Wallace, Warley and White —16.

Mr. MEAD moved that the House do now adjourn. Agreed to.

At 9:45 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business of yesterday at the hour of adjournment, being the consideration of a Bill to authorize the building of a bridge to connect the islands of North and South Edisto, at the location of the old bridge, was resumed.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. MYERS, from the Committee of Conference, on causes of disagreement between the two Houses on Senate amendments to House Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort, submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred a Bill to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort, beg leave to report, that they have

considered the same, and recommend that the Bill do pass, with the following amendments:

Strike out all after the word "dollars," on fifty-first line of 1st Section, and insert, in lieu thereof, "the same to be collected as fines and penalties in Trial Justice Courts."

Strike out, on the sixteenth line of 7th Section, all after the word "town."

(Signed)

ROBERT SMALLS,
S. E. GAILLARD,
Committee on part of the Senate.
N. B. MYERS,
W. J. WHIPPER,
SAMUEL GREENE,
Committee on part of the House.

On motion of Mr. NEHEMIAS, the report was agreed to, and a message sent to the Senate.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the establishment of a school in the State Penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back the following:

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Charleston Water Company, of the City and County of Charleston, with the following amendments: Strike out the word "and," on the third line; and, on the fourth line, after the last name, insert the words "Thomas Sands, T. D. McDowell, and John Douglas."

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the town of Townville, in the County of Anderson.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported on a Bill to apportion the members of the House of

Representatives among the several Counties in this State according to their population, by the following substitute :

A Bill to apportion the members of the House of Representatives among the several Counties of this State, according to their population.

The substitute was adopted, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to renew the charter of the Congregation Derekh Emeth, or Path of Truth, of Columbia, S. C.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Rule was suspended.

The Bill was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, from the Committee on Public Printing, reported back the account of the Laurens Herald, and recommended payment.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. S. GREENE introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Clerks of both Houses be, and they are hereby, instructed to issue pay certificates to the members and employees of the General Assembly, from the 17th February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported back the following :

A Bill, and substitute, to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, and recommended the passage of the original Bill, with the following amendments :

Strike out, in Section 4, on the third line, after the word "Asylum," the word "three," and insert, in place thereof, the word "fifteen."

Insert, after the word "same," on the fourth line of Section 4, the words "for re-organizing and perfecting the State militia, ten thousand dollars, to be drawn on the warrant of the Comptroller General, on application by the Adjutant and Inspector General."

A Joint Resolution (favorable) to relieve Q. H. Russell, late Treasurer of Abbeville County, and his sureties ;

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) to authorize the payment of Commissioners and Managers of Elections at special elections during the year 1871.

Also, a Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the purchase of a suitable building at Hamburg, to be used as an armory for the Ninth Regiment, S. C. N. G., with the following amendment: Strike out, on the twelfth line, after the word "of," the words "fifteen hundred," and insert the words "one thousand."

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill and Joint Resolutions.

The Bill and Joint Resolutions were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Also, reported from the Committee,

A Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Auditor and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes.

Read the first time, and ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. CREWS, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be, and he is hereby, authorized to prepare a manuscript Journal of the House of Representatives, of each session of this General Assembly, the same, when completed, to be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State. The compensation for said work to be the same as allowed Clerks of Courts for copying.

Mr. HUMBERT, from the Committee of Conference, submitted the following :

REPORT.

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the disagreement, on the part of both Houses, relative to a Bill to provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and the amendments made in the Senate, have attended to their duties, and beg leave to report that they have agreed to the following, viz :

Strike out "B. C. Edwards," Section 1, line two, of the Senate Bill, and insert "J. S. Fillebrown and James M. Brown."

Also, add, to the Senate Bill, the accompanying Sections :

"SEC. 4. That it is hereby made the duty of the County Commissioners of Darlington County to draw their warrants on the County Treasurer, against any funds in his hands, including the money now in bank,

which was appropriated for the building of a Court House, for the payment and liquidation of the past indebtedness of the County; and the County Treasurer, on presentation of said warrants, shall pay the same.

"SEC. 5. Immediately on and after the passage of this Act, the Committee herein appointed shall enter upon the duties assigned them, and no warrant, on the funds specified in Section 4, shall be drawn on the County Treasurer, by the County Commissioners, until the examination herein authorized shall have been completed.

"SEC. 6. The Auditor and County Commissioners be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to cause to be levied, on the taxable property of the said County, for the year 1872, two mills on the dollar, and to continue the same, each succeeding year, until the sum of eighteen thousand dollars shall have been collected; and the said sum, as collected, shall not be used, in any manner, except for the purpose of building a Court House, at Darlington, for the County of Darlington."

Also, change the title of the Bill so as to read, "To provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and for other purposes;" and that the Bill, thus amended, do pass.

On motion of Mr. KEITH, the report was agreed to, and a message sent to the Senate.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 37.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 27, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table a Bill from your House, entitled "A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Newberry."

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,

President *pro tem.* of Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 38.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 27, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it concurs

in the amendment of your House to Senate concurrent resolution fixing day of adjournment of General Assembly.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 39.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., February 27, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on matters of disagreement on Senate amendments to House Bill to provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and for the building of a new Court House.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of Senate.

Report of Senate Committee on Claims, on account of R. J. Holliday, for services as Magistrate.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Report of Senate Committee on Claims, on account of James E. Peterson, for dieting prisoners in Newberry jail.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a new judicial and election County from portions of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to charter Broxton's Ferry across the great Saltkehatchie River."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, S. C., to approve certain claims of teachers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also, returned, with concurrence, the following:

Report of the Committee on Claims, on account of Commissioners and Managers of Election, of Chester County, for 1871, and account of Wm. Gilbert;

Resolution to authorize the drawing of pay certificates from February 17 to March 7, inclusive ;

Resolution praying the United States Congress to remove the political disabilities of James D. Tradewell.

Also, returned, with amendment,

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax.

On motion, the amendment was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Joint Resolution be enrolled.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to L. S. Langley, late School Commissioner of Beaufort County, the sum of \$157.45, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create a debt of the State of South Carolina, to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Section 1 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. BOSEMON moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Bill to provide for a general license law.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended, until the conclusion of the business previously before the House.

The consideration of the Bill was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1:30 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Water Power Company.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, the consideration of the Special

Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The consideration of a Bill to establish a Metropolitan Police District, and to provide for the government thereof, was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Bosemon) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill,

Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 71 ; nays, 16. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—76.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Byas, Corwin, Elliott, Gantt, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humphries, Jamison, Mickey, Small, A. Smith, Tarlton and Whipper.—16.

At 3 P. M. the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business (being the consideration of a Bill to provide for a general license law) was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. HUNTER moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 64 ; nays, 16. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—64.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, Dannerly, J. A. Green, Harris, Hurley, Jamison, Jones, Mobley, Myers, Pendergrass, Saunders, A. L. Singleton and Whipper.—16.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Water Power Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Librarian to repair the lower floor of the State House was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. HURLEY moved to amend Section 1 by striking out the word "tile now in the State House Grounds," and inserting the words "concrete or iron."

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the further consideration of the Joint Resolution was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 38 ; nays, 34. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bowen, Briggs, Bryan, Derrick, Doyle, Ellison, Ferguson, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, McDaniels, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Rivers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Smart, Sullivan, Taylor, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Yocom.—38.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Byas, L. Cain, Crews, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Elliott, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Whipper and Wofford.—34.

A Bill to incorporate the St. Andrew's Rifle Corps, of St. Andrew's Parish, Charleston County, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 8; nays, 75. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Briggs, Crews, Farr, Jackson, Jamison, Mead, Mobley and White.—8.

Those voting in the negative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Keith, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—75.

Mr. JAMISON moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 33; nays, 48. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, E. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Derrick, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Giles, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Lee, Littlefield, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Sellers, Smart, Sullivan, Warley, White and Yocom.—33.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Garey, Glover, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Jones, Keith, Lloyd, Mad-

docks, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Ramsay, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.— 48.

The consideration of the Bill previously before the House was resumed.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Orangeburg Fair Association was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, Section 1 was amended, by inserting among the list of incorporators the names "Benj. Byas, J. L. Jamison, E. J. Cain, and T. K. Sasportas."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for Agricultural purposes;"

A Bill to exempt the Benedict Institute from taxation;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways;"

A Bill to require passenger trains on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, to stop at Hamburg;

A Bill to establish an inferior Court for the trial of criminal cases in the County of Charleston.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, Section 3 was amended by striking out the words "two thousand," and inserting the words "twenty-five hundred."

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Port Royal Railroad Company;

A Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Georgetown, S. C.;

A Bill legalizing certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned;

A Bill authorizing James C. Thompson and wife, Elizabeth Thompson, to adopt the child of Mary Couch, give it the name James Lawrence Orr Thompson;

A Joint Resolution authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, S. C., to approve certain claims of teachers.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to charter the Raleigh, Columbia and Augusta Air Line Railroad Company.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to provide for the construction of a new Court House in and for the County of Richland.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Bill to regulate the use of scales, weights and measures within the State of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading,

Mr. HOLMES moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. GANTT moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 30; nays, 46. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. L. Cain, Dannerly, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, S. Greene, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Keith, Lang, McDaniels, Mead, Mobley, Rivers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Warley and White.—30.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bryan, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Giles, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hagood, Holmes, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes and Yocom.—46.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Holmes) to strike out the enacting clause, it was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, at 10:30 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. Burrell James, of Sumter County.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

A Bill to renew the charter of the Congregation "Derekh Emeth," or Path of Truth, of the city of Columbia, S. C.

Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to incorporate the People's Savings Institution.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

A Bill to incorporate the Traction Steam Engine Company, of Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported back the following:

A Joint Resolution (without recommendation) to authorize and empower the Governor to grant and convey all the right, title and interest of the State in a certain lot of land in the city of Columbia, to the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, of the I. O. O. F., in trust, as herein mentioned;

A Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the Clerk of the Court of Fairfield County to sell a tract of land, containing 200 acres, belonging to the State, with the following amendment:

Strike out the words "in the construction of school houses in said County," and insert, in lieu thereof, "for the benefit of Free Schools of said County."

A Bill (unfavorable) to require the Land Commissioner to issue titles to actual settlers on lands of the State, in Kershaw County.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill and Joint Resolutions.

The Bill and Joint Resolutions were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWEN, from the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to establish the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back:

A Senate Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to es-

tablish a new judicial and election County from portions of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County;"

A Senate Bill (favorable) to regulate the appointment and salary of Trial Justices in the city of Charleston ;

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled " An Act to regulate the fees of Probate Judges, Clerks of Courts, and other officers therein mentioned," approved March 1, 1870 ;

A Bill (favorable) to provide for the election of Justices of the Peace, and defining their jurisdiction.

On motion of Mr. GOODSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back,

A Bill (favorable) to charter the Greenwood and Augusta Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. J. N. HAYNE, from the Committee on State House and Grounds, reported back :

A Senate concurrent resolution (favorable) prohibiting the removal of building material from the State House Yard.

The resolution was taken up, concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Mr. LEE, by leave, introduced

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HEDGES, from the Committee on Commerce, reported back :

A Bill (favorable) to authorize and empower Henry C. Lancaster, Smith Howe and Henry A. Towles to establish a wharf at Facker's Plantation, at or near Church Flats, on the Stono River, and to establish a ferry at that point across said river.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back :

A Bill (favorable) to charter the town of Mineola, in Horry County.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JAMISON, by leave, introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' Charitable Society, of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

Mr. GOGGINS presented the account of A. Bustan, school teacher.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to establish a public ferry in Fairfield County;

A Bill to incorporate the Firemen's Union, of Charleston, S. C.;

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Pendleton;

A Bill to alter and amend Section 313, of Title 9, Chapter I, of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State," and to repeal Sections 314 and 316, of same Title, Chapter and Act;

A Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Building, Trust and Loan Association, of Aiken, S. C.;

A Bill to incorporate the Rivers Guards, of Hamburg, S. C.;

A Bill to permit James McCullough to adopt, change the name of, and make his lawful heir, James Allen Stepp;

A Joint Resolution appropriating one hundred and fifty dollars out of the poll taxes collected in Newberry County, for the purpose of furnishing the Hoge School with desks;

A Joint Resolution authorizing certain persons to have transcribed, for the County of Oconee, so much of the records of the late District of Pickens as relates to the said County of Oconee;

A Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to L. S. Langley, late School Commissioner of Beaufort County, the sum of \$137.45.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Townville, in the County of Anderson, was taken up.

The Bill was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Waccamaw and Little River Canal Company" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to protect travelers in railway cars, in this State, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. BYAS offered the following as a substitute for Section 1 :

"SECTION 1. That every Railroad Company in this State shall furnish a second class car to passenger trains, in which no smoking shall be allowed."

Adopted.

Mr. R. M. SMITH moved to amend Section 1 by inserting the words "a first class and."

Mr. HUMBERT moved to lay the whole matter on the table.

On this Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas 52 ; nays 48. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, James Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Giles, Goodson, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Humbert, Hurley, Jervay, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Sellers, Shanklin, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—52.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, Crews, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Harris, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Abraham Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and White.—48.

Mr. HUNTER introduced the following resolution, which was considered immediately and adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee of three members of this House be appointed to confer with the State Treasurer, and ascertain what arrangements are being made to pay off the certificates of the members and employees of the House, and whether said certificates are likely to be paid to the close of the session ; and said Committee are hereby instructed to report their action to this House on to-morrow.

The SPEAKER announced as the Committee Messrs. Hunter, C. D. Hayne and Lee.

A Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an Inspector of Phosphates, and to declare his duties was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWLEY, Section 8 was amended by striking out the proviso at the end of the Section.

On motion of Mr. BOSEMON, Section 8 was further amended by adding to the Section the words: "And the said Inspector is hereby authorized to require conformity with all regulations which shall be by him made, with the approval of the State Auditor, and which shall be reasonable and proper to enable the said Inspector to carry out the purposes of this Act; and should the office of State Auditor be abolished, the duties herein required of him, and the reports required to be made to him shall be exercised by, and the reports be made to, the Comptroller General."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Librarian to repair the lower floor of the State House.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

The amendment (by Mr. Hurley) was considered, and, on motion of Mr. BYAS, indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MADDOCKS moved to strike out the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution.

On this, Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 53; nays, 31. Agreed to, and a message was sent to the Senate accordingly.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Berry, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Giles, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervay, Keith, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Sellers, Shanklin, Smart, R. M. Smith, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—53.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Byas, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, Ellison, Goodson, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Jamison, Lang, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, T. D. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Wallace and Warley.—31.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted:

Resolved, That no claims be considered by this House on the last two days of the present session.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County, South Carolina ;

A Bill to authorize the building of a bridge to connect the Island of North and South Edisto, at the location of the bridge ;

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster Riflemen ;

A Bill to renew the charter of the Congregation known as Derekh Emeth, or Path of Truth, of the city of Columbia ;

A Bill to regulate the responsibility of parties holding collateral as security for loans.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' Mining and Manufacturing Company.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, Section 1 was amended, by striking out the name "T. A. Davis," and inserting the names "T. A. Davis, B. F. Briggs and P. J. O'Connell."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to postpone the consideration of the Bill until to-morrow.

Mr. S. GREENE called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 67 ; nays, 12. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bryan, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, Miles, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—67.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Farr, Gantt, James N. Hayne, Hudson, Jamison, Johnson, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mickey, Nuckles, Simons and White.—12.

On the main question, (which was the motion by Mr. Mobley,)

• Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 21 ; nays, 48. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Crews, J. Davis, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Hudson, Johnson, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, A. L. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Thompson and Warley.—21.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Barker, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hart, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Keith, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Saunders, Sellers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—48.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Anderson Farmers' and Mechanics' Association.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to amend the charter of the town of Lancaster.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved that the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M. be suspended for this day.

On this, he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 48 ; nays, 38. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Boston, Bowen, Byas, Corwin, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and Warley.—48.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Barker, Bass, Berry, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Duncan, Dusenbury, Giles, Goodson, Harris, Hurley, Jackson, Jervy, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—38.

Mr. S. GREENE moved to reconsider the vote whereby the enacting clause of a Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company, was stricken out.

Agreed to.

The Bill was taken up and put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, Section 1 was amended by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the names "C. C. Bowen and Timothy Hurley."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to legitimize certain children by last will and testament was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. CRITTENDEN, Section 1 was amended by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the names "L. Williams, Hewlett Sullivan, James P. Moore."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a school in the Penitentiary was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3:50 P. M., the House, on motion of Mr. HUNTER, adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the Chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business (being the consideration of a Bill to provide for the establishment of a school in the State Penitentiary) was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. O'Connell) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, it was decided in the negative.

Mr. BYAS moved to amend Section 2, by striking out, on the seventh line, the words "of tender age." Adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. O'CONNELL, from the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, reported back :

A Bill (favorably) to establish a company, under the name of the Sullivan Island Ferry Company, and to modify the charter of the Mt. Pleasant Ferry Company, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, by leave, introduced

A Bill to authorize the employment, by private parties, convicts in the State Penitentiary.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Hook and Ladder Company, No. 3, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Amendments were made, adding sundry names to the list of incorporators.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the names of the incorporators were stricken out, and the name of "Joseph Crews" inserted.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Incorporations be instructed to report, on March 1st, a Bill to incorporate the Sumter Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Sumter, S. C.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Journeymen Mechanics' Union, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the purchase of a suitable building at Hamburg, to be used as an armory for the Ninth Regiment, S. C. N. G., was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, as follows: To strike out the words "fifteen hundred," and insert "one thousand," was adopted.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Lincoln Light Infantry, of Darlington, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Light Guards was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to make appropriation and raise supplies for the year commencing November 1, 1871.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MYERS moved to amend Section 1, seventeenth line, by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "four." Agreed to.

Mr. JERVEY moved to further amend Section 1, twenty-eighth line, by inserting after the word "dollars" the words "for clerical services in the office of Auditor of the County of Charleston, two thousand dollars." Agreed to.

Mr. WHIPPER moved to amend Section 1, by adding to the Section the words "for the preservation of books and records in the office of Register of Mesne Conveyances for the County of Charleston, 4,500 dollars."

Mr. JONES moved to amend the amendment, by striking out the words "4,500 dollars," and inserting the words "three thousand dollars."

On this, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 74; nays, 5. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Briggs, Lawrence Cain, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—74.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Byas, Holmes, Nehemias and Whipper.—5.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to further amend Section 1, on line five, by insert-

ing between the words "dollars" and "for," the words "for the Lieutenant Governor, \$2,500 dollars." Agreed to,

Mr. LEE moved to amend Section 2, on line eight, by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting the words "fifteen hundred." Agreed to.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to further amend Section 2, on line five, by striking out the words "twenty-five," and inserting the words "fifteen." Agreed to.

The amendment recommended by the Committee to Section 4, as follows: by striking out, on line three, the word "three," and inserting the word "fifteen," was adopted.

Also, the amendment recommended by the Committee, by inserting, after the word "seven," on line four, the words "for re-organizing and perfecting the State militia, ten thousand dollars, to be drawn on the warrant of the Comptroller General, on application by the Adjutant and Inspector General," was adopted.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to amend Section 4 by striking out, on the ninth line, the words "one thousand five hundred," and inserting the words "eight hundred." Adopted.

Mr. JONES moved to further amend Section 4 by striking out the word "ten," (in appropriation for militia) and inserting the word "twenty."

Mr. HOLMES moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. JONES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 65; nays, 17. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lloyd, Maddocks, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Reedish, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, Wm. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—65.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Giles, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Jamison, Jones, Levy, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Pendergrass, Rivers, A. L. Singleton and Sumpter.—17.

Mr. WILKES moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

On this, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 46; nays, 40. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hunter, Jones, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and Wilkes.—46.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Berry, Briggs, E. Cain, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Goodson, Goggins, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Whipper, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—41.

The question being taken again on the motion to indefinitely postpone the amendment, it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to amend (the militia appropriation) by striking out the word "ten" and inserting the word "fifteen."

Mr. KEITH moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. WILKES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 39; nays, 45. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Briggs, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Garey, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, Mead, Miles, Moore, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Wm. M. Thomas, White, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—39.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Bowley, Byas, Lawrence Cain, Everidge Cain, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Giles, Glover, Goodson, John A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Jones, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nerland, Reedish, Rivers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper and Wilkes.—45.

A debate ensued, pending which, at the hour of 11:40 P. M., on motion of Mr. JAMISON, the House adjourned till to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business (being the consideration of a Bill to make appropriations to raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.) was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. MOBLEY,) to amend Section 4 (Militia appropriation,) by striking out the word "ten," and inserting the word "fifteen," was resumed.

On this, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 65 ; nays, 35. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston; Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley and Wilkes.—65.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, Crittenden, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ford, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Litchfield, Miles, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Sellers, Shanklin, Sullivan, Taylor, Whipper, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom —35.

Mr. MADDOCKS moved to amend Section 5 by striking out, on the second line, the word "eighty," and inserting the word "fifty." Adopted.

On motion of Mr. WILKES, the vote whereby Section 4 was passed to a third reading was reconsidered.

Mr. WILKES moved to amend Section 4 by inserting after the word "dollars," in the first line, the following: "Fifteen thousand dollars thereof, if so much be necessary, shall be applied to the payment of claims now audited and on file, other than *nulla bona* claims." Adopted.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, Section 4 was further amended by

adding to the Section : "For the payment of the Commissioners, Messengers and Managers of the General Election of 1872, twenty-five thousand dollars."

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing Company.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The consideration of the Appropriation Bill was resumed.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M. was suspended for this day.

Mr. HURLEY moved to amend Section 6 by inserting, after the word "dollars," on 7th line, the words "for repairs to buildings of the South Carolina University, ten thousand dollars."

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 60 ; nays, 32. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Berry, Rosemon, Boston, Byas, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gardner, Garey, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Keith, Lee, Litchfield, Logan, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—60.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Ellison, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Lang, Littlefield, Mead, Moore, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wallace and White.—32.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, Section 6 was further amended by striking out, on 8th line, the word "eight," and inserting the word "ten." Adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. HUNTER, from the Special Committee to wait upon the State Treasurer, to ascertain the time when payment of pay certificates will be made, reported, verbally, that the State Treasurer had assured the Committee he would be able to make payment to the members and employees on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

Received as information.

Mr. HOLMES introduced

A Joint Resolution for the payment of certificates issued by the General Assembly.

Read the first time, and ordered to be placed on the Calendar without the usual reference.

Mr. GARDNER introduced

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan and Exchange Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, submitted the following

REPORT :

The Committee on Enrolled Acts, to whom was referred "An Act to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same," beg leave to report that they submitted it to the Governor February 28, at 2:25 P. M.

Also, that this day, at 12:15 P. M., they delivered to him the following Acts and Joint Resolutions, viz :

Joint Resolution to relieve R. Vampill, County Treasurer of Marion County, of uncollected taxes for the year 1868 ;

Joint Resolution to relieve the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen ;

An Act to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto ;

An Act to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County ;

An Act to incorporate the village of Smithville, Christ Church Parish, South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the Mount Zion M. E. Church, of Kingstree, South Carolina ;

An Act to amend the charter of the town of Orangeburg ;

An Act to charter the Walhalla Female College ;

An Act to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of the City of Charleston, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College ;

An Act to re-charter the town of Frog Level ;

An Act to grant, renew and amend the charter of the village of Rock Hill, in the County of York.

Received as information.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back a Joint Resolution (favorable) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, with the following amendment:

Strike out the word "existing," in the proposed Article, and insert the words "just and lawful."

Add the following resolution :

Resolved, That the question of adopting this amendment shall be submitted to the electors, as follows: Those in favor of the amendment shall deposit a ballot with the following words written or printed thereon: "Constitutional Amendment—Article XVI—Yes." Those opposed to the amendment shall cast a ballot with the following words written or printed thereon: "Constitutional Amendment—Article XVI—No."

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint Resolution was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to incorporate the town of Townville, in the County of Anderson;

A Bill to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken;

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons, of the State of South Carolina, and the subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction;

Joint Resolution authorizing the purchase of a suitable building, at Hamburg, to be used and occupied as an armory for the Ninth Regiment N. G. S. C.;

A Bill to re-open a public highway in Richland County;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Mount Pleasant."

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Manufacturing and Improvement Company;

A Senate Bill to provide for the appointment of an Inspector of Phosphates, and to declare his duties.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. KEITH, at 3:20 P. M., the House adjourned till 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business (being the consideration of a Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing Company) was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill compelling Representatives to reside in the County from which they were elected was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the whole matter.

Mr. HOLMES moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 67 ; nays, 10. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Keith, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Sumpter, Taylor, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—67.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Ferguson, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Jamison, Lang, Lee, Mobley, Nuckles, Simons and Tarlton.—10.

The Bill was read the second time, and, on the question of ordering it to be engrossed,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 62 ; nays, 6. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Elliott, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Greene, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jer-

vey, Keith, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—62.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Goodson, Jones, Lang, Nuckles, Rivers and Simons.—6.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

Mr. S. GREENE moved to lay the motion on the table. Agreed to.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Blackville was taken up

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Water Company, of the city and County of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, to Section 1, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, the name of John B. Dennis was inserted among the list of incorporators.

Mr. NEHEMIAS moved to amend Section 1, by inserting the following names as incorporators :

"R. Smalls, J. B. Bascomb, P. J. O'Connell, S. A. Swails, H. J. Maxwell, Hastings Gantt, W. J. Whipper, B. Byas, J. S. Mobley, N. B. Myers, E. Nehemias."

On this he called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 30 ; nays, 54. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bowley, Briggs, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gantt, Gardner, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Holmes, Jamison, Jones, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Nehemias, Perry, Simons, Small, Smart, Sumpter, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, White and Williams.—30.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Berry, Boston, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cou-sart, Crews, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Giles, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Mad-docks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Nerland,

Nuckles, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Tarlton, J. W. Thomas, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—54.

Mr. KEITH called the previous question on the entire Bill, and the call was sustained.

On the question of passing Section 2 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 45 ; nays, 35. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Ford, Frost, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—45.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Boston, Briggs, Crews, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Henderson, Holmes, Humphries, Johnson, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Tarlton, Wallace and White.—35.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passage of Section 3,)

Mr. KEITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 45 ; nays, 43. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Bowley, Byas, Cousart, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Ford, Frost, Gardner, Giles, Glover, J. A. Green, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Hurley, Jackson, Jervy, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—45.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Henderson, Holmes, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Johnson, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley, White and Williams.—43.

On the main question, (the passing of Section 3 to a third reading),

Mr. TARLTON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 46 ; nays, 45. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bowley, L. Cain, Jas. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goodson, Harris, Hedges, Holmes, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Nerland, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, Sumpter, Taylor, Wm. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—46.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Littlefield, McDaniels, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, J. P. Singleton, Smalls, Smart, Tarlton, Wallace, Warley and White.—45.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passage of Section 4 to a third reading,) it was decided in the negative, and the previous question exhausted.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for Monday next, March 4, at 2 P. M. Agreed to.

A Joint Resolution to relieve L. H. Russell, late Treasurer of Abbeville County, and his sureties, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. HURLEY moved to postpone the further consideration of the Joint Resolution, and make it the Special Order for Monday, March 4, at 1:30 P. M., and the evidence in the case produced for the information of the House.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to indefinitely postpone the whole matter.

On this, Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 49 ; nays, 31. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Berry, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Farr, Frost, Glover, Goodson, J. A. Green, Guffin, Henderson, Humbert, Hurley, Jackson, Jervy, Lang, Levy, Lloyd, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Sin-

gleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—49.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, E. Cain, Crews, J. Davis, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Maddocks, Mobley, Perry, Rivers, Simons, Small, Sumpter, Tarlton, Thompson, Warley and Wilkes.—31.

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Caw Caw and Waites' Creek Canal Company, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment, recommended by the Committee, to Section 1, by adding the following to the list of incorporators, was adopted:

“P. P. Hedges, B. Byas, W. R. Jervey, George F. McIntyre, W. M. Thomas, A. P. Holmes, S. Smalls, R. S. Tarlton, F. J. Maddocks, E. D. Holmes, George Lee.”

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. YOCOM, from the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies, reported back :

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Peoples' Savings Institution.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back the following :

A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Charleston Loan and Exchange Company;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Traction Steam Engine Company, of the city of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. T. D. McDOWELL introduced the following :

A Bill to amend an Act entitled “An Act to amend an Act entitled ‘An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners.’”

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on County Offices and Officers.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Georgetown County to levy an additional tax for the past due indebtedness of the County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Georgetown County to expend part of the tax they levy and collect in each year, for the relief of the sick and infirm poor of the County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BOWLEY introduced :

A Joint Resolution authorizing the purchase of a suitable building at Georgetown, to be used as an armory for the Fifth Regiment, National Guards of South Carolina.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Auditor and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 1, by striking out the word "eight," before the word "mills," and inserting the word "ten."

Mr. HURLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 28. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Berry, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, J. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Ellison, Ford, Gantt, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—51.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Byas, Crews, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Gaither, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Jamison, Lee, Levy, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton and Wallace.—28.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to amend Section 1 by striking out the word "eight," and inserting the word "nine."

Mr. HURLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment. Agreed to.

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 55 ; nays, 28. Agreed to.

[Decorative flourish]

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Glover, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Nehemias, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—55.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Briggs, Dennis, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hurley, Johnson, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Sumpter, Thompson, Wallace, White and Williams.—28.

Mr. HUNTER called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passage of the Joint Resolution to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,)

Mr MADDOCKS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 44 ; nays, 30. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Glover, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hunter, Jervey, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Smalls, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Warley and Wofford.—44.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, E. Cain, Doyle, Ellison, Farr, Gantt, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hudson, Humbert, Hurley, Johnson, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Perry, Ramsay, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Thompson, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—30.

On the main question, (the passing of the Joint Resolution to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,) the yeas and nays were called, and are as follows :

Yeas, 53 ; nays, 12. Agreed to, and the previous question was exhausted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Levy, Lloyd, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—53.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Briggs, Doyle, Farr, Samuel Greene, Milton, Pendergrass, Thompson, Warley, White and Williams.—12.

On motion of Mr. JONES, at 12 midnight, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. P. P. HEDGES.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a new Judicial and Election County from portions of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. L. CAIN, the further consideration of the bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Monday, March 4, at 1 P. M.

Mr. KEITH introduced the following resolution, which was immediately considered :

Resolved, That when this House adjourns at 3 P. M., it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

Mr. O'CONNELL introduced the following, as a substitute, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M., be suspended for this day, and that the House adjourn at pleasure; and that, when the House adjourns, it stand adjourned till Monday next, at 12 M.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. JERVEY introduced the following preamble and resolution, which was immediately considered:

Whereas, it is credibly reported and believed that, in the recent trial of the case of William F. Redding and wife, against the South Carolina Railroad Company, in the Court of Common Pleas, at Charleston, before the Hon. R. F. Graham, Judge, that the bearing, instructions and rulings, to the jury and towards the counsel for the plaintiffs engaged in said trial, were such as to raise strong apprehensions that some person or persons, at the said trial, practiced corruption and bad faith against the plaintiffs, the said instructions and rulings having been violative of the law and practice in like cases obtaining, it is said; and whereas there is, in consequence of the said alleged corruptions and bad faith of the said person or persons, wide-spread suspicion that justice has been denied to the said plaintiffs in the said case; and whereas it has, therefore, become the duty of this House to make investigation of the matter in the case aforesaid, to the end that *right* and *justice* may be done; therefore,

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the whole matter aforesaid, with authority to send for persons and papers, and that said Committee report to the House the result of their investigation, by resolution or otherwise, as soon as practicable.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to postpone the further consideration of the resolution, and make it the Special Order for Wednesday, March 6, at 1 P. M. Not agreed to.

On the question of adopting the resolution, Mr. JERVEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 84; nays, 6. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. Mc-

Dowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—84.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Crittenden, Miles, O'Connell and Sullivan.—6.

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. MADDOCKS moved to take up from the table a Bill to provide for a general license law. Agreed to.

The Bill was taken up, and put upon its second reading.

The following amendments, recommended by the Committee, were adopted :

Strike out, in Section 1, on the fourth line, after the word "County," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert after the word "dollars," on the fifth line, "payable quarterly, as follows: "Twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of April, 1872; twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of July, 1872; twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of October, 1872; and twenty-five dollars on or before the first day of January, 1873." Strike out, on the sixth line, the word "dollars," and insert, "dollars, in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 2, on the fourth line, after the word "State," "the sum of fifty dollars." Strike out, on the third line, after the word "required," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "State," on the fourth line, "the sum of twenty-five dollars for every billiard table; the sum of twenty-five dollars for every alley; and the sum of ten dollars for every bagatelle table; the same to be paid in quarterly installments on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 3, after the word "required," on the third line, the words, "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872;" insert, after the word "dollars," on the 23d line, "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 4, after the word "required," on the sixth line, the words, "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872;" strike out, on the thirty-seventh line, after the word "than," the words "that amount," and insert, "two thousand five hundred dollars;" strike out,

on the thirty-eighth line, the word "ten," and insert the word "five" in place thereof; insert, after the word "liquors," on the forty-ninth line, the words, "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 6, after the word "required," on the second line, the words, "on or before the first of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "dollars," on the forty-ninth line, the words, "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 7, on the third line, after the word "State," the words, "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert after the word "dollars," on the seventeenth line, the words, "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 8, on the third line, after the word "County," the words, "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872;" and insert, on the seventh line, after the word "dollars," the words, "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

Strike out, in Section 9, on the third line, after the word "required," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872."

Strike out all after the word "State," on the sixth line, and insert, in place thereof, the words "the sum of five hundred dollars, the same to be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 10 strike out, on the fourth line, after the word "State," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872."

Insert, after the word "dollars," on the fifth line, the words: "*Provided*, Any person engaged in the business of selling by sample, or any person soliciting orders, shall pay the sum of twenty-five dollars. The above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 11 strike out, on the fourth line, after the word "State," the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "wire," on the twelfth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 12 strike out, after the word "State," on the fifth line, the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, after the word "dollars," on the sixth line, the words "the above amounts shall be paid in quarterly installments, on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 13 strike out, after the word "State," on the ninth line, the words "on or before the first day of March, A. D. 1872," and insert, in place thereof, the words "on or before the first day of April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 14, strike out, after the word "of," on the second line, the words "March, A. D. 1872," and insert, in place thereof, the words, "April, July and October, 1872, and January, 1873."

In Section 15, insert, after the word "of," on the second line, the words, "the first quarterly installment of;" strike out, on line nine, the word "March," and insert, in place thereof, the words "April: *Provided*, That the quarterly installments heretofore provided for shall be paid when due, or such license, so issued, shall become null and void;" strike out, on the 14th line, the word "March," and insert the word "April;" strike out, on the sixteenth line, the word "March," and insert "April."

In Section 17, insert, on the tenth line, after the word "General," the words, "and Solicitors."

On motion of Mr. A. SMITH, Section 3 was further amended by inserting, after the word "tavern," line two, the words "livery stable."

On the question of passing Section 3 to a third reading,

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 76; nays, 21. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, Hart, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Logan, McDaniel, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley and White.—76.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Crittenden, Doyle, Goggins, Holmes, Maddocks, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—21.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the vote whereby Section 3 passed to a third reading, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, Section 3 was further amended by reducing the fees for license, provided for in the Section, twenty-five per cent.

Section 3 was passed to a third reading.

Mr. YOCOM moved to further amend Section 5, by reducing the license fees named therein 50 per cent.

Mr. HUNTER moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. HUNTER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 65 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Byas, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Warley and Wofford.—65.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bass, Briggs, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Gantt, S. Greene, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, and Yocom —29:

On motion of Mr. JONES, Section 6, line 1, was amended, by inserting, after the word "corporations," the words "other than National Banks."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to further amend Section 10, on line 2, by inserting between the words "lawyer" and "physician," the words "and the proprietor or proprietress of each bawdy house."

Mr. HURLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 28. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Boston, Briggs, Byas, Corwin, Cousart, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Nehemias, Nuckles, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson and Wilson.—57.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. E. Cain, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Goggins, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Holmes, Jamison, Keith, Maddocks, McDanniels, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Pendergrass, Rivers, Small, Smart, Talbert, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White and Yocom.—28.

Mr. HUMBERT moved to further amend Section 10 by adding to the Section the words “and every person holding any office whatsoever, either elected or appointed, all officers of corporations and societies, shall be required to pay into the Treasury of the County in which such person resides, for the use of the State, on or before the first day of April, A. D. 1872, the sum of one dollar for every one hundred dollars, salary receivable or to be received from such office.”

On this Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 72 ; nays, 4. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom—72.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Gantt, Samuel Greene and Jackson.—4.

Mr. HUNTER moved to further amend Section 10 by adding to the Section the words “all photographers and Daguerrean artists, in Charleston and Richland Counties, \$25 each ; for all other Counties in the State, \$10. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, Section 15 was further amended by striking out, in the tenth line, the words “one dollar,” and inserting the words “twenty-five cents.”

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 16.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
COLUMBIA, March 2, 1872.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I respectfully return herewith, without my approval, “An Act to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same.”

It is well known to the General Assembly that I have, at all times, been ready to give my approval to any measure looking to the completion of this great enterprise, of so much value to the interests of the entire State, and still feel the deepest solicitude for its success.

It was believed, at the time when the authority was given by the Legislature to endorse four million of its bonds, that the Company could command a sufficient sum of money, by their sale, in addition to other means at their disposal, to complete the road, but the depreciation of State securities, resulting partly from this endorsement, has rendered the bonds almost valueless to the Company. Although I have never regarded the endorsement of the State on bonds as fixing a legal obligation on the State to meet the accruing interest, yet it has persistently been claimed, by the opponents of the present administration, that this four millions of bonds was a part of the actual debt of the State, and not a merely contingent liability; while the facts are that the State could only be held responsible for the remainder, after the assets of the road had been exhausted; and it is fair to presume that, before the twenty years had expired, the work would have been completed, and these bonds would have been a first mortgage upon the entire property, and hence a good security, independent of the State endorsement.

The present embarrassed condition of the finances of the State does not appear to me to warrant us incurring so large an obligation, to be paid in so short a period of time as that named in the Act, even if, under any circumstances, it was justifiable.

I might, however, very reasonably doubt the correctness of my own judgment in this respect, when I reflect that the measure passed both Houses by more than a three-fourths vote, thereby showing that the General Assembly differ very widely from me on this subject. Also, from the fact that, although this Bill has been on the Calendar for more than a month, the entire press of the State has been silent on its merits, leading me to infer that it meets the approval of all parties interested in the financial welfare of the State; therefore, I might not feel it my duty to do more than express my disapproval of the measure, on the grounds of public expediency.

But there are reasons, in my judgment, deeper and more substantial than those of expediency. There are grave doubts as to the constitutionality of the Act, both Federal and State. The Constitution of the United States clearly prohibits a State from issuing bills of credit, while the State Constitution provides that a debt can only be created by an issue of bonds running twenty years. But whether these objections are valid or not, there is still another objection, which, in my judgment, is paramount to any other reason that can be urged against the Act becoming a law.

During the past four years the Legislature has appropriated money for Legislative and other expenses, amounting, in the aggregate, to about two millions of dollars, without levying a single mill of taxes to raise the money. These several appropriations for Legislative expenses authorize the Treasurer to pay them out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, when it must have been clear to the mind of every member of the General Assembly, that there was not a dollar collected from the levy of taxes which had not been appropriated in the general appropriation Bill to meet the current expenses of each fiscal year. And, even on the collection of the general tax levy, there has been a deficit of from twenty-five to thirty per cent. per annum from delinquent taxes.

This deficit, I have previously stated to the General Assembly, was about one million two hundred thousand dollars; hence the moneys expended, for which no levy of tax was made, added to this amount, makes an aggregate of over three millions of dollars. In this statement I have not taken into account the numerous claims, including the Land Commission, which have been paid out of moneys borrowed.

Up to this moment no disposition appears to prevail, on the part of the General Assembly, to even recognize the obligation that is due from the State to those who came forward, in the hour of our danger of failure, for the want of money to sustain the Government, but with an indifference, which is beyond the comprehension of any mind, the General Assembly seems determined to tax the resources of the State to meet a mere contingent obligation, not due for many years, and which, to a very limited extent, has become a liability to the Blue Ridge Railroad, or the State, as its endorser, from which the legitimate creditors are led to infer that they are to be left victims of misplaced confidence. On this subject there is something more due to our creditors, which I will lay before you previous to your adjournment.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBT. K. SCOTT, Governor.

On the question, "Shall this Act become a law, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary, notwithstanding?" the yeas

and nays were ordered, in accordance with the provision of the Constitution, resulting :

Whole number of votes cast..... 102

Necessary to a passage of the Act..... 68

Yeas, 84; nays, 18. Agreed to, and the Bill and Message ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, Sumpster, Talbert, Tarlton, Wm. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White and Yocom.—84.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs Allen, Andell, Bass, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Frost, C. D. Hayne, Hurley, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—18.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

On the question, "Shall the Act to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same, the objections of His Excellency the Governor to the contrary, notwithstanding?" I did not vote, for the reason that I was not present when the vote was taken. Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

WARREN D. WILKES.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back the accounts of Abram Reed, A. Palmer, C. M. Miller, J. B. Crews, and others, and recommended payment.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was adopted, and the accounts ordered to be paid.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed, and ready for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. CRITTENDEN, the Bill was amended, by striking out, in Section 11, the words "as they may fall due," and inserting the words "as they may fall due," and

"SEC. 12. That the said Company be, and they are hereby, authorized, to issue first mortgage bonds in an amount or amounts, not exceeding \$20,000 per mile for each and every mile of the said road, as soon as each mile of the same shall be completed, and so on until the completion of the entire road."

Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Auditor and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes ;

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Light Guards ;

A Bill to incorporate the Lincoln Light Infantry, of Darlington ;

A Bill to incorporate the Darlington Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Darlington, S. C. ;

A Bill to incorporate the town of Ninety-Six ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Waccamaw and Little River Canal Company ;"

A Bill to incorporate the St. Andrew's Rifle Corps, of St. Andrew's Parish, Charleston County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association ;

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a school in the State Penitentiary ;

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Hook and Ladder Company ;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Red Bank Manufacturing Company, of Lexington County ;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Journeymen Mechanics' Union, of Charleston, S. C.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan and Exchange Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The Bill was read, the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. JAMISON introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Resolved, That a Committee of five, on the part of the House, and ———, on the part of the Senate, be appointed to inquire into and report to this General Assembly, on or before Tuesday next, by what authority the guards of the State Penitentiary have been discharged and the convicts locked up. Said Committee shall have full power to send for persons and papers, and to make any and all inquiry that may be needed to get a full statement of all the facts in the case.

A Senate Bill to change the names of Tyrrell Williams and Ida Williams, and to make them the legal heirs of T. J. Jones, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Traction Steam Engine Company, of the city of Columbia, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. THOMPSON moved to amend Section 3 by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the names "Wm. Simons and A. Goodson." Agreed to.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to regulate the appointment and salary of Trial Justices in the city of Charleston was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JERVEY moved to amend Section 2 by striking out, on the third line, the words "fifteen hundred," and inserting the words "twelve hundred." Adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to authorize the Land Commissioner to execute titles to certain lands in Charleston County was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster Railroad Company, of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. ADAMSON moved to amend Section 1 by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the names "W. M. Shannon, J. B. Kershaw, W. Z. Leitner, Mannes Baum, Samuel Boykin, T. F. McDow, S. H. Brewer, J. J. Patterson, John Kershaw," and by changing the title so as to read "Lancaster and Camden Railroad Company." Adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. MOBLEY introduced

A Joint Resolution to pay sundry persons for services rendered as special police, in Union County.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. LEE presented the account of N. C. McDuffie, Ex-Sheriff, Marion County.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Laborers' Association.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Labor.

A Bill authorizing and requiring County Treasurers to receive jurors' and witnesses' tickets for taxes.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled " An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also returned, with amendments,

A Bill to renew the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston.

The amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered that it be enrolled.

On motion of Mr. BRIGGS, at 4:10 P. M., the House adjourned, until Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. WALLACE.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

Mr. FROST presented account of W. W. Ward, Sheriff of Williamsburg County, for *nulla bona* costs.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 1872.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 17.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, March 4, 1872.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following :

An Act to make appropriations for the payment of the per diem of the members of the General Assembly, and the salaries of the subordinate officers, and other expenses incidental thereto ;

An Act to incorporate the Mount Zion M. E. Church, of Kingstree, South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the Willtown National Guards, of Colleton County ;

An Act to incorporate the village of Smithville, Christ Church Parish, South Carolina ;

An Act to amend the charter of the town of Orangeburg ;

An Act to charter the Walhalla Female College ;

An Act to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the Spartanburg Female College ;

An Act to recharter the town of Frog Level ;

An Act to grant, renew and amend the charter of the village of Rock Hill, in the County of York ;

Joint Resolution to relieve the late County Treasurer of York County, E. M. Rose, and his bondsmen ;

Joint Resolution to relieve R. Vampill, County Treasurer of Marion County, of uncollected taxes for the year 1868.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to provide for the election of Justices of the Peace, and defining their jurisdiction, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JERVEY moved to amend Section 1 by filling the blanks by inserting the words "16th day of October."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 13; nays, 63. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Crews, Farr, Ferguson, Gantt, Hedges, Hudson, McDaniels, Mobley, Nehemias and Saunders.—13.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Briggs, Lawrence Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—63.

The question recurred on the motion (by Mr. Jervy) to amend Section 1.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the amendment was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to reconsider the vote just taken.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 1 by filling the blanks with the words "16th day of April."

Mr. MOBLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to make the consideration of the motion to indefinitely postpone the amendment the Special Order for Wednesday next, at 2 P. M.

Mr. SMART moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 56; nays, 22. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Boston, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Gaither, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Maddocks, McDaniels, Miles, Milton, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell,

Pendergrass, Perry, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—56.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Byas, J. Davis, Farr, Ferguson, Frost, Giles, Glover, Guffin, Hudson, Hunter, Lee, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Saunders, R. M. Smith and Talbert.—22.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Mobley) to indefinitely postpone the amendment, (by Mr. Jamison,) it was not agreed to.

The question being taken on the amendment (by Mr. Jamison) to fill the blanks in Section 1 by inserting the words "16th day of April," it was adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish a new Judicial and Election County from portions of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County."

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to amend Section 1 by striking out, on line six, all the words after the word "Representative," and inserting the words "Aiken, three members; Barnwell, four; Edgefield, six; Lexington, two; and Orangeburg, five."

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 40; nays, 27. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Boston, E. Cain, J. Davis, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Glover, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Johnson, Lee, Logan, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, Ramsay, Sellers, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, Thompson, Wilkes and Wilson.—40.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Byas, L. Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Elliott, Giles, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Humbert, Humphries, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, Mickey, Nerland, Pendergrass, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Wallace, White and Wofford.—27.

On the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 53 ; nays, 9. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crews, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gantt, Samuel Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Hurley, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—53.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Lawrence Cain, Dannerly, Elliott, Goggins, Harris, Hart, Humphries, Milton and R. M. Smith.—9.

Mr. JERVEY introduced a Joint Resolution authorizing the Judiciary Committee to make certain investigations.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Water Company, of the city and County of Charleston, S. C.

The second reading of the Bill, at Section 4, was continued.

Mr. NEHEMIAS moved to reconsider the vote whereby Section 1 passed to a third reading. Agreed to.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to amend Section 1 by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the following names : “ W. J. McDowell, J. S. Mobley, S. Greene, B. F. Briggs, J. B. Bascomb, E. Nehemias.” Adopted.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to reduce all Acts and parts of Acts to determine and perpetuate the homestead into one Act, and to amend the same, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to prevent certain officers from buying, discounting or shaving teachers' pay certificates or other orders on school fund, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to charter the Greenwood and Augusta Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled “ An Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State under certain circumstances ” was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill for the protection and preservation of useful animals was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to grant a section of land, in Lancaster County, to the widow and minor children of Isaac Cowles, and to provide for levying a special tax on said County, to reimburse the State for the same, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to establish a company under the name of the Sullivan's Island Ferry Company, and to modify the charter of the Mount Pleasant Ferry Company, and for other purposes, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to establish the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Greenwood, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Abbeville Agricultural Society was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to apportion the Representatives of the House of Representatives according to their population was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to incorporate the Farmers', Laborers' and Mechanics' Land Company, of Orangeburg, South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 1 by inserting among the list of incorporators the names: "T. C. Andrews, B. Byas and George Bolivar." Agreed to.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to require the Land Commissioner to issue titles to actual settlers on lands of the State in Kershaw County (report unfavorable) was taken up.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to renew the charter of Peay's Ferry over the Wateree River was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported the following :

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the House proceeded to its immediate consideration.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, as follows, was adopted: By inserting among the list of incorporators the names "Benj. Byas, J. L. Jamison, Henry Johnson, T. K. Sasportas."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Also, the following :

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston ;

A Bill to incorporate the Sumter Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Sumter, S. C.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State."

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. YOCOM, from the Committee on Banks and Insurance Companies, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 40.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 4, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table concurrent resolution from your House, entitled "Concurrent Resolution to investigate certain affairs in the State Penitentiary."

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading:

A Bill to make appropriation and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to amend Section 4 by striking out, on the fourth line, manuscript Bill, the words "or file," and inserting the words "or file: *Provided, further,* That of the said sum of \$50,000, the sum of \$6,757.05 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to pay the audited account of J. M. Wilder, Sheriff of Sumter County, on file in the office of the Comptroller General."

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the amendment was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. THOMPSON moved to amend Section 5 by striking out, on line three, manuscript Bill, the word "fifty," and inserting the word "eighty."

Mr. HUNTER moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

Mr. THOMPSON moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays.

Prior to the call, the hour of 3 P. M. having arrived, the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business, being the third reading of a Bill to make appropriation and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, was resumed.

The call of the yeas and nays on the question of laying on the table the motion (by Mr. Hunter) to indefinitely postpone the amendment proposed (by Mr. Thompson) to strike out, in the third line, Section 5, the word "fifty," and insert the word "eighty," was proceeded with, resulting as follows:

Yeas, 61; nays, 26. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Glover, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jamison, Jervay, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay,

Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes and Yocom.—61.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Briggs, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Giles, Goggins, Hedges, Hunter, Jones, Litchfield, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, Miles, Milton, Shanklin, Taylor, Wallace, White, Williams and Wilson.—26.

The question recurred on the adoption of the amendment proposed by Mr. Thompson.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 64; nays, 21. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, Lawrence Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Goodson, Samuel Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Warley, Wilkes and Yocom.—64.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Briggs, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Jamison, Litchfield, Logan, Mead, Miles, O'Connell, Shanklin, Taylor, Wallace, White and Williams.—21.

The Bill was read the second time, and, on the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it sent to the Senate,

Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 68; nays, 19. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Boston, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, Samuel Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L.

Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes and Yocom.—68.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bass, Briggs, Byas, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Elliott, Goggins, Holmes, Maddocks, Mead, Ramsay, Shanklin, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, White, Williams and Wilson.—19.

The following Bills and Joint Resolution, having been reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, were taken up:

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto, Caw Caw and Waites' Creek Canal Company;

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Loan and Exchange Company;

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Senate Joint Resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, and on the question of passing the same, and ordering it enrolled, the yeas and nays were ordered, pursuant to provision of the Constitution, resulting:

Yeas, 88; nays, 0. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Keith, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Lloyd, Logan, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Yocom.—88.

Also,

A Bill compelling Representatives to reside in the County from which they were elected.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. L. CAIN moved to amend by striking out the words "fill the same," and insert "fill the same: *Provided*, That the provisions of this Act shall not apply to such Representatives as are compelled to leave their Counties by threats of violence to their person." Adopted.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to empower fathers to legitimize certain children by last will and testament.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments,

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same."

On motion of Mr. LEE, the Bill, with amendments, was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, with instructions to report to-morrow, at 12:30 P. M.

Mr. BYAS introduced

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate and Joint Stock Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. BOWLEY introduced

A Senate resolution authorizing the purchase of a suitable building at Georgetown, to be occupied for the 5th Regiment, N. G. S. C.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. R. M. SMITH presented the account of Richard Woodruff, for services in teaching school.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution to pay Hon. W. M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, the amount of salary appropriated for the Judge of the Second Circuit, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Savings Bank, of Aiken, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to provide for the establishment of Agricultural Colleges was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill relating to marriages was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendments recommended by the Committee to the Bill, as follows, were adopted :

To strike out the words "or Probate Judge, as the case may be," wherever they occur in the Bill.

To amend Section 2 of the Bill so as to make it read thus: "That previous to persons being joined in marriage, a license shall be obtained for that purpose from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, in the County where such female resides."

To amend Section 7, by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting the words "one hundred."

To amend Section 8, by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "one" instead.

To amend Section 9, by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting the words "five hundred" instead; and to add to the Section, "or to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding five months."

To strike out, entirely, the tenth Section of the Bill.

To insert the words "or Notary Public," in the following places: in Section 8, after the word "minister," wherever it occurs in the Section; in Section 9, after the word "minister."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to charter the Columbia Horse Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the consideration of the Bill was made the Special Order for Thursday, March 7, at 2 P. M.

A Senate Joint Resolution to authorize the payment of Commissioners and Managers of Elections was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill requiring all bonds and stocks of the State to be registered was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNELL, the consideration of the Bill was made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the Salem Baptist Church, of Wadmalaw Island, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of Erskine College, at Due West, Abbeville County, South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to fix the rates of passenger fares on the railroads of South Carolina was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution that 500 copies of the Special Message of the Governor be printed for the use of the members of the House of Representatives was taken up.

The resolution was considered.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the resolution was amended by striking out "500," and inserting "1,000."

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

A Bill relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE moved to make the further consideration of the Bill the Special Order for to-morrow.

Mr. HUNTER moved to lay the whole matter on the table. Agreed to.

A Bill to incorporate the Wateree Presbyterian Church, of Fairfield County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Gethsemane Church, of Chester County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Bull River and Port Royal Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. GANTT moved to amend Section 1 by inserting among the list of incorporators the names "P. Coxum, W. E. Towne, J. S. Brown, J. S. Mobley."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Columbia, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Churches of Antioch, New Hope, Bethel Grove and New Bethany, of Laurens County, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Laboring Society, of Christ Church Parish, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Homestead Association was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of the St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington County, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. KEITH moved that the House do now adjourn.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 59 ; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Boston, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Litchfield, Littlefield, Logan, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—59.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bacsomb, Dannerly, Ferguson, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Jamison, Johnson, Lee, Mead, Moore, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith and W. M. Thomas.—14.

The House then, at 10:30 P. M., adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. S. NUCKLES.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported back a Joint Resolution to provide for the pay of Commissioners and Managers of Elections in cases of special elections, with a recom-

mendation that the same be laid on the table, for the reason that the House has already passed a Joint Resolution of a similar character.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the Joint Resolution was taken up, and laid on the table.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back a Joint Resolution with reference to the investigation of certain irregularities said to have taken place on the trial of the case of William F. Redding and wife against the South Carolina Railroad Company, tried recently before His Honor R. F. Graham, in the Circuit Court of the city of Charleston, with a recommendation that the same do pass.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the Joint Resolution was taken up for consideration.

Mr. R. M. SMITH moved to strike out the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution.

Mr. T. A. DAVIS moved to indefinitely postpone the motion.

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to lay the motion to indefinitely postpone on the table.

On this, Mr. LLOYD called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 33; nays, 54. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Boston, Briggs, Crews, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Gantt, Gardner, Goodson, Johnson, Keith, McDaniels, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson and Wofford.—33.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, Glover, Goggins, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jervy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mickey, Nehemias, Pendergrass, J. P. Singleton, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Whipper and Yocom.—54.

The question being taken on the motion to indefinitely postpone, it was decided in the affirmative.

A debate ensued, pending which the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 12:30 P. M.

Report of Committee on Privileges and Elections on Senate amendments to a Bill to amend an Act providing for the general elections, and the manner of conducting the same.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The consideration of the business previously before the House was resumed.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill requiring all bonds and stocks of the State to be registered.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the consideration of the business before the House.

The consideration of the business previously before the House was resumed.

Mr. THOMPSON offered the following as a substitute for the Joint Resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That Hon. R. F. Graham, Judge First Judicial Circuit, together with the Sheriff, Jury Commissioner, County Auditor, Chairman Board of County Commissioners of Charleston County, be required to appear before the Bar of the House of Representatives, and present all the testimony taken in the case of Mrs. Julia Redding vs. South Carolina Railroad Company, together with the charge of Judge Graham to the jury, in said case.

Mr. JERVEY offered the following as a substitute for the resolution, (by Mr. Thompson,) which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be, and they are hereby, directed to make an investigation immediately into the case of Wm. F. Redding *et ux.*, vs. the South Carolina Railroad Company, and to report the facts of the case, as investigated by them, to this House as soon as possible : *Provided*, Said report be made before the adjournment of the General Assembly.

The resolution was adopted.

The consideration of the Special Order for 12:30 P. M. was resumed.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred a House Bill, with amendments of the Senate, beg

leave to report that they have considered the same, and recommend that the House concur in all the Senate amendments, with the exception of Section 10, which they recommend that the House refuse to concur in.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was adopted, and a message sent to the Senate.

The consideration of the Special Order for 2 P. M. was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The following amendments to the Bill, recommended by the Committee, were adopted :

On the third line of Section 1, after the word "stocks," insert the words "coupons and other evidences of indebtedness." On the seventh line of Section 1 strike out the words "State Treasurer," and insert "Comptroller General." On the sixth line of Section 3 insert, after the word "Charleston," the word "Baltimore." Strike out the last three lines of Section 3, and insert: "That the sum of five hundred dollars be, and is hereby, appropriated to pay for the said advertising, providing that so much be necessary."

Add:

"SEC. 4. Any violation of this Act shall be considered a misdemeanor, and punishable by fine, and imprisonment not to exceed two years in the Penitentiary, and a fine of \$5,000, or both, at the discretion of the Court."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

It having been reported to me that certain persons have asserted that my absence from the House, on Saturday, when the Veto Message of His Excellency, relating to the Act to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liabilities for its guaranty of the bonds of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, came up for consideration, arose from a desire to shirk the vote that would necessarily ensue. To those who were instrumental in putting this report in circulation, I have no reply or explanation to make, regarding, as I do, their belief or opinion with supreme indifference.

For the information of my friends and constituents, however, I desire to say that my absence from the House, and from the city, was due to the serious indisposition of a member of my family, at my home in Charleston.

In conclusion, I would state that had I been present, I would have voted, as I have ever voted, when *such* measures as the one now referred to were presented to me, viz: with the minority of the members of this House.

(Signed)

B. A. BOSEMON, JR.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments,

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural and Mechanics' Institute.

Mr. FROST moved that the Bill, with the amendments, be referred to the Committee on Education, with instructions to report to-morrow, at 1 P. M. Agreed to.

Also sent

A Bill to incorporate the Sumter Academical Society.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. LEE, from the Committee on County Offices and Officers, reported back

A Bill (favorable) to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners."

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Senate Bill to regulate the appointment and salary of Trial Justices in the city of Charleston.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, Section 1 was amended by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "four."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Traction Steam Engine Company, of the city of Columbia.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, Section 1 was amended by striking out the name "A. Goodson," and inserting the names "A. Goodson, W. B. Nash, F. J. Moses, Jr., Wm. Green, James Davis, S. B. Thompson, R. Tarlton."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Senate Bill to change the names of Tyrrel Willard and Ida Willard, and to make them the legal heirs of T. P. Jones.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to prevent certain officers from buying, discounting or shaving teachers' pay certificates, or other orders on school funds.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the Bill was amended by adding to the title of the Bill and Section 1, the words "or Jurors' certificates."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Blackville ;

A Bill to establish the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company ;

A Bill to establish a Company, under the name of the Sullivan's Island Ferry Company, and to modify the charter of the Mount Pleasant Ferry Company, and for other purposes.

Joint Resolution to authorize the Land Commissioner to execute titles to certain lands in Charleston County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Lancaster and Camden Railroad Company.

The Bills and Joint Resolution were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Bill to provide for a general license law.

The Bill was read the third time, and on the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it sent to the Senate,

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 58 ; nays, 28. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Madocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert and Tarlton.—58.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Crittenden, J. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Ford, Glover, S. Greene, Hagood, Hurley, Jervay, Lloyd, Nehemias, Ramsay, Shanklin, Simons, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—28.

The following papers were presented, to be entered on the Journal :

We voted "no" on the passage of a Bill to provide for a general license law, for the following reasons :

1st. We consider the people of the State sufficiently taxed.

2d. The people of the State are now taxed, including the Blue Ridge Railroad, fourteen mills on the dollar, and to increase the already enormous tax, without a knowledge of the correct indebtedness of the State, and taking into consideration that seven mills on the dollar was sufficient to meet the current expenses of the State Government last year, and pay the interest on the public debt, amounting to four hundred and eighty-two thousand five hundred and ninety-four dollars and forty cents (\$482,594.40); and yet, not one mill of the fourteen is appropriated to pay the present interest of the public debt, and the feeling of insecurity which pervades the entire community of the State, with regard to the honesty of the motives of the State Treasurer, and believing that, with proper care and management, the whole burden of the State can be relieved, and its honor sustained, by the amount of tax already appropriated, we feel it our duty, as representatives of the people of the State, to file our protest against what we consider an indirect confiscation, which is unparalleled in the management of the financial affairs of any Government in this country or Europe, and oppressive, particularly to that class of tax payers whose only means of living is obtained by the sweat of their brow, and will eventually tend to destroy the Republican party.

(Signed)

A. P. HOLMES,
WM. C. GLOVER.

Upon the question, "Shall the Bill (to provide for the general license law) pass, and be sent to the Senate?" I vote "no," for these reasons: Upon general principles, I am in favor of a license law, in order to relieve real estate, in some measure, from the burdens of taxation, which now press so heavily upon it; but, the General Assembly having already imposed a tax of fourteen mills, I cannot sanction the imposition of a further tax by this Bill, which the laborer, the mechanic and the farmer must pay in the end. There is a point beyond which taxation becomes prohibition and confiscation, and we may well pause and consider how much further we can go in that direction before that point will be reached. Besides, there are other Bills pending, and undisposed of, which look to a further increase of taxation.

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to amend an Act to authorize the Governor to leave the State, under certain circumstances ;

A Bill to incorporate the Salem Presbyterian Church, of Wadmalaw Island, S. C.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to establish a new judicial and election County from portions of the Counties of Barnwell, Edgefield, Lexington and Orangeburg, to be known as Aiken County."

Mr. L. CAIN moved to amend Section 1 by striking out the words " Aiken, four," and inserting " Aiken, two."

Mr. LEE moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 69 ; nays, 21. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bowley, Briggs, Byas, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Gantt, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, White, Wilkes, Wilson, and Wofford.—69.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Berry, Boston, L. Cain, T. A. Davis, Ford, Gardner, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Keith, Milton, Mobley, Myers, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, Small, R. M. Smith, Wallace, Whipper and Yocom—21.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property," passed September 15, 1868, and all Acts amendatory thereto.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the Bill was amended as follows :

Strike out, in the title of the Bill, the word "December," and insert the word "September."

Strike out, in Section 2, second line, the word "December," and insert "September."

Strike out Section 4 and insert the following :

"SECTION 4. That all lands and real estate within this State, whereupon, or in respect whereof, any sum of money remains due or payable after the sale provided for in Section 15, Chapter XIII, Title III of General Statutes, or which are liable to be sold for, or on account of any tax laid by or under the authority of this State, for State or County purposes, in accordance with the provisions of either of the several Acts, for the purpose of assessing and levying taxes for the support of the Government of the State and of the several Counties thereof, passed in the years 1868, 1869, 1870 and 1871, shall be exposed to sale, and sold for the payment of such taxes, and all penalties, costs and charges thereon accrued, on the first Monday in June, 1872, and from day to day thereafter, Sundays only excepted, until the whole thereof shall be sold, at the place or places, on the terms and in the manner hereinafter provided; such sale shall be by the County Treasurer of each County, at the County seat, who shall expose and offer the said lands at public sale, to be sold and conveyed in fee simple without any right of redemption for the payment thereof. If no person shall, at said sale, offer to purchase or take a less quantity of the lands so charged and offered than the whole thereof, at and for the amount so charged for the taxes, penalties, costs and charges, the said County Treasurer shall declare that the State is the purchaser thereof, at and for the amount so charged; and, thereupon, the State shall become invested in fee simple with the title to said lands, and the appurtenances and all the improvements thereon. If, at said sale, any person shall publicly offer to take a less portion than the whole of said lands, for the said taxes, penalties, costs and charges, then the said lands shall be sold to such person as shall offer to take the smallest portion thereof, and pay the same; and, upon the payment of the amount so due to said County Treasurer, said officer shall execute and deliver to the said purchaser a certificate, setting forth the fact of such purchase, and the payment of the amount bid; and, thereupon, the said purchaser shall be entitled to the grant from the State of the undivided right, title or interest, in fee simple, without redemption, in and to all the lands so sold, and all lands belonging to any person or persons or corporation against whom such tax was levied and assessed, equal to the proportion which the amount bid holds to the whole of said lands so

purchased, and the purchaser shall be entitled to demand partition thereof according to law; and on such partition, the said purchaser shall be entitled to a proportional share and interest in all improvements thereon. In addition to the sums now assessed and chargeable upon said lands, there shall be added, at the time of said sale, five per centum of the amount of said taxes, penalties, costs and charges; which said sum is hereby appropriated for the payment of the expenses of said sale, and the collection of the moneys thereon. One half of one per cent. to be for the use of the County, and the balance to be paid into the State Treasury. If any person to whom such lands shall be struck off shall fail forthwith to pay the amount bid therefor, said County Treasurer shall immediately expose and offer such lands for resale, as if no such previous sale had taken place. The County Treasurer shall make weekly remittances of all funds received according to the provisions of this Act, to the State Treasurer, and shall forward monthly accounts for said funds to the State Treasurer..

Also, add the following Sections to the Bill:

"SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Governor to cause this Act to be published in such manner as shall, in his judgment, be requisite to give full information thereof; the expense of such publication to be paid or reimbursed out of the funds authorized hereby to be charged as the expenses of said sale.

"SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of each County Auditor of each County to exhibit the tax books thereof, showing all delinquent taxes herein provided for, for sixty days next preceding such sale, and all persons shall be entitled to inspect the same, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 12 M. of each day, Sunday excepted, and it shall be his duty to attend said sale, with the said tax books, and to furnish to said County Treasurer, and all persons requiring the same, such information as the records of his office may afford relative to the matter involved in said sale; and, upon the delivery of the Treasurer's certificate of sale, to execute a deed in accordance of Section 33, Chapter XIII, Title III, of the General Statutes of South Carolina.

"SEC. 7. That this Act shall take effect from and immediately after its passage; and that all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to punish persons engaged in the business of lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2:30 P. M.

A Senate Bill to exempt the keepers, employees and other officers of the South Carolina Penitentiary and Lunatic Asylum from military and other duties was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to provide for the payment of certificates issued by the General Assembly was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JONES moved to amend Section 1 by adding to the Section the following: "And he is hereby authorized to borrow, on the faith and credit of the State, a sufficient amount to cancel the said certificates. Adopted.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

The amendments proposed by the Committee, as follows, were adopted; Strike out the word "existing," in the proposed Article, and insert the words "just and lawful."

Add the following resolution: "That the question of adopting this amendment shall be submitted to the electors as follows: .

"Those in favor of the amendment shall deposit a ballot, with the following words written or printed thereon, "Constitutional amendment—Article XVI—Yes."

"Those opposed to the amendment, shall cast a ballot with the following words written or printed thereon: "Constitutional amendment—Article XVI—No."

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend the 2d clause of the 18th Section of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading,

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the Bill was laid on the table, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Bill to amend Section 328, Title IX, Chapter 2, of an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill for the protection of buoys and beacons was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of the Courts of this State," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment, recommended by the Committee, as follows, was adopted: by striking out, on the last line, the words "for like services in criminal cases."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to declare public a certain road in Orangeburg County was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend Section 27½ of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Peoples' Savings Institute was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Port Royal River Ferry Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend Section 108 of an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to restrain Sheriffs from the sale of County property under certain circumstances was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the Clerk of Court of Fairfield County to sell a tract of land containing 200 acres, belonging to the State was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SMART, Section 1 and title were amended by striking out the words "Clerk of Court," and inserting the word "Sheriff."

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to punish abduction and seduction under promise of marriage was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. ELLIOTT, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill in relation to selling or giving spirituous liquors to habitual drunkards and other persons was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to further amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for the assessment and taxation of property, and other Acts amendatory thereto," was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

Resolution to print 1,500 copies of the Report of the Land Commissioner.

The resolution was taken up and adopted.

A Bill to abrogate and sink the debt of the State of South Carolina incurred in aid of the late rebellion against the United States was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill relating to the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 12:30 P. M.

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners to open a public road in the County of Lancaster was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Resolution to instruct the Attorney General to compel the Air Line Railroad Company to perform certain matters defined in their charter was taken up.

On motion of Mr. DOYLE, the resolution was indefinitely postponed.

A Bill to amend an Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The following Bills were taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to incorporate the Sumter Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Sumter, S. C. ;

A Bill to charter the Horry, Marion and Rockingham Railroad ;

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' and Mechanics' Steamboat Company, of Charleston :

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company ;

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Island Land Company, of South Carolina ;

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Bethel Church, in Laurens County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Boiling Spring Camp Ground ;

A Bill to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, of Laurens County, S. C. ;

A Bill to incorporate the American Union Literary Club, of Gadsden, Richland County, S. C. ;

A Bill to incorporate the Prospect Baptist Church, of Laurens County, S. C. ;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act for the better protection of migratory fish.'"

A Bill imposing duties on certain instruments of writing was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. BRIGGS moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. JONES moved to postpone the motion.

On this, Mr. JAMISON, called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 16; nay, 69. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Berry, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Gaither, Goggins, J. A. Green, Hedges, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Lee, Mobley, Rivers and Sumpter.—16.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, E. Cain, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, Haggood, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Litchfield, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—69.

Mr. HUNTER moved to lay the whole matter on the table. Agreed to.

The House, on motion of Mr. HURLEY, adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back
A Bill (favorable) to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate and
Joint Stock Company.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to
take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported that they
had delivered to the Governor, for his approval, this day, at 1:25 P. M.,
the following Acts and Joint Resolutions, viz :

An Act to incorporate the village of Little Rock, in the County of
Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned ;

An Act conferring upon the County Commissioners certain powers in
relation to the license and sale of intoxicating liquors ;

An Act to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club ;

An Act to provide for the past indebtedness of Darlington County,
and for other purposes ;

An Act to incorporate the Mishaw Light Infantry, of Charleston,
S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, of Aiken, S. C. ;

Joint Resolution, authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to the widow
of Summerfield Montgomery two hundred and fifty dollars ;

An Act to charter Big Horse Ferry, over Beaufort River, in Beaufort
County ;

An Act to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of George-
town ;

An Act to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort ;

An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston ;

An Act to charter the Little River and Cheraw Railroad Company ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled " An Act to incorporate the town of
Pickens ;"

An Act to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, of Spartan-
burg County ;

Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, to whom was referred a Bill, with Senate amendments, to establish the South Carolina Agricultural and Mechanics' Institute, reported back the same, and recommended that the House do not concur in the Senate amendments.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill and amendments.

Mr. BYAS moved that the House concur in the Senate amendments.

Mr. FROST moved to lay the motion on the table.

On this, Mr. BYAS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 48 ; nays, 49. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Barker, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowley, Bryan, Everidge Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, James Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Guffin, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Kennedy, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Perry, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, Sullivan, Sumpter, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—48.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Byas, L. Cain, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Duncan, Elliott, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Humphries, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Abraham Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Wallace and Warley.—49.

On the question of concurring in the Senate amendments,

Mr. BOSEMON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 45 ; nays, 57. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Boston, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, Dannerly, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Myers, Nehemias, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Wallace, Warley and Whipper.—45.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, E. Cain, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Goggins, Guffin, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Kennedy, Lee, Lloyd, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Perry, Saunders, Shanklin, Simons, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—57.

Mr. THOMPSON moved that the House do not concur in the Senate amendments.

Mr. BYAS moved (as a substitute for the motion by Mr. Thompson) that the House do concur in the Senate amendments.

A debate ensued, pending which, the House proceeded to the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 12:30 P. M.

A Bill relating to the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the consideration of the Special Order was suspended until the conclusion of the business before the House.

The consideration of the business previously before the House was resumed.

The question being taken on the motion (by Mr. Byas) that the House concur in the Senate amendments,

Mr. FROST called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 52; nays, 45. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, Derrick, Dusenbury, Gaither, Gardner, Giles, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Humbert, Jamison, Jervy, Keith, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mobley, Nehe-mias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Sellers, Shanklin, J. P. Singleton, Small, R. M. Smith, Sullivan, Talbert, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—52.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goodson, J. A. Green, Guffin, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Hunter,

Hurley, Jackson, Jones, Lang, Lee, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, O'Connell, Saunders, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wofford and Yocom.—45.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House:

A Bill to authorize the Columbia Water Power Company to construct a dam across the Congaree River at Columbia.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements and Penitentiary.

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate and Joint Stock Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

A Bill to declare North and South Wimbee Creeks navigable streams.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Also returned, with amendments,

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also returned, with amendments,

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, sent a resolution amending resolution to adjourn *sine die* March 7, by fixing the date of adjournment at March 13.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Mr. BRIGGS introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was ordered for consideration to-morrow:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly do take a recess, from a date hereafter to be fixed, to the second Tuesday in July next: *Provided*, That during the said recess the members of the General Assembly shall not draw pay.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Bill to incorporate the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company ;

A Joint Resolution to provide for the payment of certificates issued by the General Assembly ;

A Bill to incorporate the Farmers', Laborers' and Mechanics' Land Company, of Orangeburg County, S. C. ;

A Bill to reduce all Acts and parts of Acts to determine and perpetuate the homestead into one Act, and to amend the same ;

Joint Resolution to grant land to the widow and minor children of Isaac Cowles, in Lancaster County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Wateree Presbyterian Church, of Fairfield County ;

A Bill to fix the rates of passenger fares on the railroads of South Carolina ;

A Bill relating to marriages ;

A Bill to incorporate the Savings Bank of Aiken ;

A Bill to provide for the election of Justices of the Peace, and defining their jurisdiction ;

A Bill to renew the charter of Peay's Ferry over the Wateree ;

A Joint Resolution to pay Hon. W. M. Thomas, Judge of the Sixth Circuit, the amount of salary appropriated for the Judge of the Second Circuit ;

A Bill to incorporate the Abbeville Agricultural Society ;

A Bill to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Columbia.

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of Erskine College, at Due West, in Abbeville County, S. C. ;

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of the Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington County ;

A Senate Bill for the protection and preservation of useful animals.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also,

A Joint Resolution to authorize the payment of Commissioners and Managers of Election, at special elections during the year 1871.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also,

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Water Company, in the city and County of Charleston ;

A Bill to incorporate the Bull River and Port Royal Railroad Company ;

A Bill to incorporate the Orangeburg County Fair Association.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

The consideration of the Special Order for 12:30 P. M. was resumed.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, as follows, was adopted: by striking out, in Section 1, the words "from time to time," and inserting the word "forthwith."

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 48; nays, 43. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Byas, L. Cain, Crews, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter and Tarlton.—48.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, E. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Goggins, Guffin, Hagood, Holmes, Humbert, Hurley, Kennedy, Lee, Miles, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—43.

Mr. HURLEY called the previous question, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passage of Section 2 to a third reading,)

Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 60; nays, 38. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Berry, Boston, Bryan, Byas, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A.

L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton and Wallace.—60.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Logan, Maddocks, Miles, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—38.

On the main question (the passing of Section 2 to a third reading),

Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 58 ; nays, 43. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bryan, Byas, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter and Tarlton.—58.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, J. Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, Hagood, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Logan, Miles, Mobley, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—43.

On the question of passing the Bill to a third reading, and ordering it engrossed,

Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 42. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boston, Bryan, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Milton, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton,

J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton and Wallace.—57.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, James Davis, Derrick, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, Hagood, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervey, Logan, Miles, Mobley, Myers, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Thompson, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—42.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments,

A Bill to incorporate the Spartanburg and Aiken Railroad.

On motion of Mr. L. CAIN, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, sent,

A Bill to renew and extend the charter of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary's, Charleston.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions.

A Bill to incorporate the Georgetown and Santee Railroad Company.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. WILKES introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Whereas, during the sessions of the Agricultural Congress, which recently convened in the city of Washington, it is understood that a Committee was appointed from among its members to urge upon the Congress of the United States the importance of donating to the several States of the Union the sum of one million of dollars, for educational purposes, to be derived from the sale of public lands; and whereas, this General Assembly most heartily approves of this action of the said Agricultural Congress; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, the Senate concurring, 'That we unite with the Committee of the late Agricultural Congress in an earnest appeal to the President and Congress of the United States, to grant one million dollars' worth of the public lands to the several States, for educational purposes.

Resolved, That should the Congress of the United States make such donation, we would respectfully suggest to that body that the million donated to this State be divided as follows: That two hundred thousand dollars be devoted to Claflin University; three hundred thousand dollars to the Free Common Schools of the State, and five hundred thousand dollars to the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society, to be used by said Society for no other purpose than to establish an Agricultural College. The foregoing donations to be made upon such conditions, and under such restrictions, as to the Congress shall seem meet.

Resolved, That immediately upon the adoption of these resolutions, the Governor of this State is respectfully requested to forward certified copies thereof to the President of the United States, and to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, who are requested to call the attention of that body to the several matters set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to regulate the liability of hotel keepers was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to grant to the Governor the power to fill vacancies occurring in the Board of Regents of the Lunatic Asylum was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out.

A Bill to define and regulate the jurisdiction of the Police Court in the city of Charleston was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JERVEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Senate Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. JAMISON moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2 P. M. Not agreed to.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 1 by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the names of "S. B. Thompson, William Simons, W. B. Nash, James Davis, John Fitzsimmons and J. W. Mead."

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment, and called the previous question, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 46 ; nays, 34. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, E. Cain, Corwin, J. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ford, Frost, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hurley, Jervey, Levy, Littlefield, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Miles, Mobley, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Williams and Yocom.—46.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bascomb, Bryan, Byas, Dannerly, Elliott, Gaither, Gantt, S. Greene, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Hudson, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Ramsay, Reedish, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Wallace, Whipper, Wilkes and Wilson.—34.

On the main question (the main question being the motion to indefinitely postpone the amendment, by Mr. Jamison,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 37 ; nays, 45. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Dennis, Dunan, Gardner, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Jackson, Levy, Littlefield, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Wofford and Yocom.—37.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, Crews, Crittenden, Dannerly, J. Davis, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hudson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Rivers, Small, A. Smith, Taylor, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—45.

On the question of adopting the amendment,

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 31; nays, 51. Not adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Byas, Dannerly, Elliott, Ford, Gaither, Guffin, Hart, Holmes, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Maddocks, McDanieles, T. D. McDowell, Mead, Myers, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Ramsay, J. P. Singleton, Small, Warley, Whipper, White and Wilkes.—31.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Crittenden, J. Davis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Gantt, Giles, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jervey, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Miles, Mobley, Mickey, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Wofford and Yocom.—51.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put," (the main question being the passage of Section 1 to a third reading,) it was decided in the negative, and the previous question exhausted.

Mr. JONES moved to postpone the further consideration of the Bill, and make it the Special Order for to-morrow, at 2:30 P. M. Agreed to.

Mr. HUNTER moved to take up from the table,

A Bill relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina. Agreed to.

The Bill was taken up.

Mr. DENNIS called the previous question on the entire Bill, and the call was sustained.

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 50; nays, 39. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Berry, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Mickey, Nehemias, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith and Tarlton.—50.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, Briggs, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervey, Maddocks, Miles, Milton,

Moore, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—39.

On the question "Shall the main question now be put," (the main question being the passing of Section 2 to a third reading,)

Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 53 ; nays, 34. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bryan, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith and Tarlton.—53.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Jervey, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—34.

On the main question, being the passing of Section 2 to a third reading,

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 52 ; nays, 39. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are ;

Messrs. Adamson, Boston, Bryan, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson-Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Smart and A. Smith.—52.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervey, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, A. L. Singleton, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—39.

On the question of passing Section 3 to a third reading,

Mr. BRIGGS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 55 ; nays, 40. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton and Wallace.—55.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Briggs, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervey, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Reedish, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—40.

On the question, " Shall the main question now be put ? " (the main question being the passage of Section 4 to a third reading,)

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 47 ; nays, 36. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bryan, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, John A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith and Tarlton.—47.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bosemon, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervey, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—36.

On the question of passing Section 6 to a third reading,

Mr. WILKES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 49 ; nays, 40. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Bryan, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton and Thompson—49.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—40.

On the question of passing Section 7 to a third reading,

Mr. DOYLE called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 53 ; nays, 37. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Berry, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton and Wallace.—53.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Jervy, Miles, Mobley, Myers, Nehemias, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—39.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passage of Section 8 of the Bill to a third reading,) it was decided in the negative, and the previous question exhausted.

Mr. HUNTER moved to amend Section 8, by adding to the Section the words :

"*Provided*, That no bonds shall be signed by the Governor, or countersigned by the State Treasurer, except for the conversion of bonds or stocks already issued, pursuant to law."

Mr. DENNIS called for the previous question, and the call was sustained.

On the question of adopting the amendment,

Mr. BOSEMON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 70; nays, 19. Adopted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Boston, Bryan, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, Glover, Goodson, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton and Wallace.—70.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bosemon Bowley, L. Cain, Crittenden, Hagood, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Myers, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, White, Wilkes, Williams and Wilson.—19.

On the question of passing Section 10 to a third reading,

Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 52; nays, 39. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Berry, Boston, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries-Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Tarlton and Wallace.—52.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bass, Bosemon, L. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Duncan, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goggins, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Williams, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—39.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNELL, the vote whereby Section 11 was passed to a third reading was reconsidered.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to strike out Section 11.

On this, Mr. ELLIOTT called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 49 ; nays, 48. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bass, Berry, Boston, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Duncan, Elliott, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Giles, Goodson, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Smart, Tarlton, White, Wilkes and Wilson.—49.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Allen, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowley; Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ellison, Frost, Gantt, Glover, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hunter, Jervy, Lang, Lee, Lloyd, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Warley, Whipper, Williams, Wofford and Yocom.—48.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. SUMPTER stated that, had he been present when the foregoing vote was taken, he would have voted in the negative.

The following papers were presented, to be entered on the Journal :

I voted "no" on the passage of a Bill relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina for the following reason :

I object, by any vote of mine, to endorse the action of the State Treasurer in relation to his report of bonds issued, to the General Assembly, dated 31st October, 1871, believing that the bonds were not lawfully issued in conformity with the true intention and meaning of the several Acts of the General Assembly. And, further, that by voting for its passage, I would virtually endorse what I consider a fraud on the part of the State Treasurer, in connection with the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, and would be recusant to the trust given me, as a representative of the people of the State, if, by any vote of mine, I endeavored to make lawful the unlawful acts of which the State Treasurer has clearly, in my judgment, been guilty.

(Signed)

W. W. RAMSAY.

Upon passing the Bill relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina to its third reading, we vote "No" upon every Section and line, for the following reasons :

Under this Bill a tax of six mills, in addition to all other taxes, must be levied to pay the interest on the amount of State debt as reported by the Treasurer. This will swell the total tax levied upon the people to twenty mills, exclusive of the tax levied under the license law and stamp Bill, which can, and we fear will, be passed by the same instrumentalities that secured the passage of this Bill. This tax amounting, in the aggregate, to twenty-nine mills, which our people cannot pay, and which cannot be necessary for any legitimate purposes of an honest government. Besides, if the stocks and bonds heretofore issued, the total amount of which is an unknown quantity, were issued in conformity to, and by the authority of, laws already passed, then they are already legal, and need no further law to validate them. If they were not issued by authority of law then they should not be made legal by the passage of this Bill. A demand for a Bill to declare the bonds and stocks already issued legal is a clear confession that *all* of them are not *legal*, which is further confirmed by the provisions of the Bill, which exonerates the officers who issued them from all legal responsibility for any violation of law and good faith of which they may have been guilty. Hence we solemnly protest, in the name of the *people*, against the passage of a Bill which we hold to be unnecessary, unjust and burdensome, and to the people we will appeal directly.

(Signed)

W. D. WILKES,
J. E. HAGOOD,
JOHN C. SELLERS,
L. WILLIAMS,
S. S. CRITTENDEN,
G. W. TAYLOR,
T. R. BASS,
JOEL ALLEN,
F. A. MILES,
O. M. DOYLE,
J. L. SHANKLIN,
JOHN WILSON,
J. L. WOFFORD,
D. R. DUNCAN,
R. M. SMITH,
J. E. DUSENBURY,
B. G. YOCOM,
A. P. HOLMES.

Mr. MOBLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back :
- A Bill (favorable) to relieve the State of South Carolina from all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Greenville and Columbia

Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNELL, at 10:25 P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Joint Resolution to authorize the State Treasurer to pay J. H. Leland \$101.05 was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

Mr. BYAS moved to lay the Joint Resolution on the table to take up the claim. Agreed to.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the whole matter was laid on the table.

Mr. HAGOOD, from the Committee on Charitable and Religious Institutions, reported back,

A Senate Bill (favorable) to renew and extend the charter of the Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary's, Charleston.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the Rule was suspended, and the Bill taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina.

The Joint Resolution received its third reading, and, on the question

of passing the same, and ordering it sent to the Senate, the yeas and nays were ordered, pursuant to provision of the Constitution, resulting:

Yeas, 88; nays, 0. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crittenden, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Goggins, Samuel Greene, Guffin, Hagood, Harris, Hart, Jas. N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Keith, Lang, Lee, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—88.

Also,

A Bill to amend Section 27½ of an Act entitled “An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries;”

A Bill to amend the 328th Section, Title IX, Chapter II, of an Act entitled “An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts of this State,” generally called the Code of Procedure;

A Bill to declare public a certain road in the County of Orangeburg;

A Bill to incorporate the Charleston Homestead Association;

A Bill requiring all bonds and stocks of the State to be registered in the office of the State Treasurer;

A Bill to incorporate the Laboring Society of Christ Church Parish;

A Bill to incorporate the Churches of Antioch, New Hope, Bethel Grove, and New Bethany, of Laurens County, S. C.;

A Bill to alter and amend the charter of the town of Greenwood, South Carolina;

A Bill to incorporate the Port Royal River Ferry Company, of South Carolina.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled “An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts of the State.”

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

Mr. MOBLEY asked leave to have read from the Clerk's desk a

paper containing certain reasons for voting on yesterday for the passage of a Bill relating to Bonds and Stocks of the State of South Carolina.

On this, Mr. R. M. SMITH called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 29; nays, 48. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Barker, Bascomb, Corwin, Dennis, Duncan, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, S. Greene, Hudson, Humphries, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Nuckles, Perry, Reedish, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Thompson, Wilkes and Wofford.—29.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Bosemon, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, Cousart, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Derrick, Dusenbury, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, Goggins, Hagood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Holmes, Humbert, Jackson, Jamison, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Ramsay, Rivers, J. P. Singleton, Small, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, Wilson and Yocom.—48.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal:

We voted "yes" on the passage of the Bill relating to the bonds of the State, for the following reasons:

First. The Bill recites the several Acts authorizing the issue of State bonds, and declares valid only such bonds as were issued pursuant to those Acts; thus excluding from payment any bond—if such there be—issued in violation of law.

To make this declaration is not to assert that there are invalid bonds on the market, but it is simply to recognize the notorious fact that doubts have been expressed as to the validity of bonds that the General Assembly *know* to be valid, they having authorized their issue, in the precise mode, and for the identical purpose, and on the very conditions, on which they were issued, as set forth by the Financial Board of the State, who were vested by law with the power to direct and regulate the issue of such bonds, pursuant to the several Acts authorizing the same.

Second. The allegation that the Bill "goes it blind," and declares valid any and all bonds, issued to an unlimited amount, is not true; for Section 3 of the Bill distinctly limits the declaration of validity to the bonds set forth as outstanding, by the Treasurer, in his report of October 31, 1871, amounting to \$9,314,000.06, accounted for as follows:

Sold and the proceeds paid into the Treasury, and expended according to law, \$5,541,000.

Deposited as collateral, or, in other words, pawned for a loan of \$800,000, \$3,773,000.

Amount of cash realized by the State from bonds sold as above, \$3,500,000.

Amount obtained by hypothecation, \$800,000.

Total cash received by the State on \$9,314,000, in bonds outstanding, \$4,300,000.

The bonds actually sold averaged about 64 cents on the dollar, or 17 cents more than bonds of the United States averaged during the war; and we have been virtually in a state of war in South Carolina during the past three years.

Third. The Bill, out of an abundance of caution, provides for the registration of all bonds that have been issued, thus subjecting the report of the Treasurer to the only possible test to determine its accuracy; such registration to be made by two of the most responsible banking corporations in the country, and to be published with full description of bonds, every three months, in New York, Charleston and Columbia.

Fourth. The Bill prohibits the further issue of bonds, except for the conversion of bonds or stocks already issued pursuant to law.

Fifth. The ancient Israelites borrowed the gold and silver plate of their former masters and never returned it. In this they "spoiled the Egyptians," who had sorely oppressed them. But we are not Israelites, nor are the bondholders Egyptians. Not to provide for the payment of our bonded debt, is to rob the men who are our creditors solely because they had faith in our sense of public honor, and were willing to trust the free government of South Carolina when it was poor and weak, and its continued existence uncertain.

Sixth. Our final and best reason is found in the sixth commandment, which declares, "Thou shalt not steal."

(Signed)

J. S. MOBLEY,
SAMUEL J. LEE,
H. C. CORWIN,
H. H. HUNTER,
W. H. REEDISH,
A. MOORE,
R. W. COUSART,
A. HUDSON,
W. J. McDOWELL.

Mr. NEHEMIAS introduced the following resolution, which the House refused to consider immediately, and was laid over until to-morrow:

Resolved, That after this date the night sessions be discontinued.

A Bill to hold persons responsible for selling property of defective, unsound or doubtful title was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to further provide for the administration of derelict estates was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2 P. M.

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Horse Railroad Company.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for Wednesday, March 13, at 1 P. M.

A Joint Resolution compelling the School Commissioner of Fairfield County to establish certain schools was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution to authorize and empower the Governor to grant and convey all right, title and interest of the State in a certain lot of land in the city of Columbia unto the Palmetto Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F., in trust, as herein mentioned, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the resolving clause was stricken out.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certain certificates of State stock was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the Sterling Loan Fund Commission to secure the possession of the bonds of the State of South Carolina, known as the Sterling Funded Debt Bonds, and place the same in the charge of the Secretary of State for safe keeping, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 2:30 P. M.

A Senate Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. WHIPPER moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

A debate ensued, pending which (Mr. Jones having the floor,) at the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment the House met at 7 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business, being the consideration of a Senate Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C., was resumed.

The motion (by Mr. Whipper) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill was withdrawn.

Mr. LEE renewed the motion to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

On this, Mr. A. L. SINGLETON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 22 ; nays, 65. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, Goggins, Guffin, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Jones, Lee, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Smart and Whipper.—22.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, S. Greene, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jamison, Jervy, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Mead, Miles, Mobley, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Warley, White and Yocom.—65.

Mr. JAMISON moved to amend Section 1 by inserting, among the list of incorporators, the names of "S. B. Thompson, Wm. Simons, James Davis, John W. Mead, John Fitzsimons and W. B. Nash."

Mr. HENDERSON moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 50 ; nays, 29. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Giles, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Keith,

Littlefield, Maddocks, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, R. M. Smith, Tarlton and Wallace.—50.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Barker, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Hudson, Jamison, Jervey, Johnson, Lee, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Nuckles, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Sumpter, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Warley, White and Yocom.—29.

Mr. JONES moved to amend Section 1 by adding to the Section the words "and one man from each County, providing that the delegation from each County select their respective names."

Mr. HURLEY moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment.

On this, Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 28. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Corwin, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Ford, Frost, Gantt, S. Greene, John A. Green, Harris, Hart, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Littlefield, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, Whipper and Yocom.—57.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Crews, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Gaither, Giles, Goggins, Hudson, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Lee, Levy, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Small, Sumpter, Tarlton and Warley.—28.

Mr. BOWEN moved to amend Section 1 by striking out, in the list of incorporators, the name "W. K. Bachman," and inserting the names "W. B. Nash, Wm. Simons, James Davis and Joseph Taylor."

Mr. L. CAIN moved an amendment to the amendment by inserting the names "S. E. M. Jessie, C. J. Fraser, C. J. Carroll, C. M. Wilder and R. H. Cain."

Mr. A. L. SINGLETON moved to indefinitely postpone the amendment to the amendment.

On this, Mr. L. CAIN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 52 ; nays, 21. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Boscomon, Bowen, Bryan, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Farr, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Giles, S. Greene, Guffin, Hedges, Hehderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Milton, Moore, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, O'Connell, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, A. L. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, Wallace and Yocom.—52.

Those voting in the negative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. L. Cain, Crews, Elliott, Ellison, Goggins, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Lee, Lloyd, Mobley, Mickey, Nuckles, Perry, Sumpter, J. W. Thomas and Warley.—21.

. Mr. BOWEN called for the previous question on Section 1, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 52 ; nays, 24. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Andell, Barker, Bass, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Farr, Ford, Gantt, S. Greene, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Mead, Miles, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, O'Connell, Perry, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas and Yocom.—52.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, L. Cain, Crews, Elliott, Ellison, Giles, Goggins, Guffin, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Moore, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Small, Warley, Whipper and White.—24.

The amendment (by Mr. Bowen) was adopted.

Mr. O'CONNELL called the previous question on the whole matter, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passing of Section 2 to a third reading,)

Mr. WHIPPER called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 58 ; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Yarker, Bascomb, Bowen, Bryan, Corwin, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Ellison, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Samuel Greene, Hart, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervy, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Logan, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Wallace, White and Yocom.—58.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Dannerly, Gantt, Goggins, Guffin, Holmes, Jackson, Jamison, Maddocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Nehemias, Tarlton, Warley and Whipper.—14.

On the question of passing Section 5 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 56 ; nays, 9. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dusenbury, Farr, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Hudson, Humphries, Levy, Littlefield, Logan, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas and Yocom.—56.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. E. Cain, Elliott, Goggins, Guffin, Lee, Milton, Nuckles, Warley and Whipper.—9.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the passing of Section 6 to a third reading,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 56 ; nays, 14. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bass, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Dusenbury, Farr, Ford, Frost, Giles, S. Greene, Harris, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Johnson, Keith, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Thompson and Yocom.—56.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Elliott, Ellison, Goggins, Guffin, Jamison, Jones, Lee, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Milton, Nuckles, O'Connell, Small and Warley.—14.

On the main question, (the passing of Section 6 to a third reading,)

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 57 ; nays, 12. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, Corwin, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dusenbury, Elliott, Ford, Gantt, Giles, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jervey, Keith, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, Abraham Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and White.—57.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Ellison, Guffin, Jackson, Jones, Lee, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, Nuckles, Perry, Small, Warley and Whipper.—12.

On the question of passing Section 7 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 12. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Berry, Bowen, L. Cain, E. Cain, J. Davis, Dusenbury, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Giles, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Hunter, Levy, Littlefield, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, A. L. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Talbert, William M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and Yocom.—51.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Ellison, Goggins, Guffin, Jackson, Jamison, Lee, Milton, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Sumpter, Warley and Whipper.—12.

On the question of passing Section 8 to a third reading,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 60 ; nays, 10. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bryan, E. Cain, Corwin, Crews, J. Davis, Dusenbury, Ferguson, Ford,

Gantt, Gardner, Giles, S. Greene, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Hurley, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, Logan Maddocks, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White and Yocom.—60.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Guffin, Jackson, Jamison, Lee, Lloyd, Milton, O'Connell, Small and Warley.—10.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments :

A Bill to regulate the issuing of checks to laborers upon plantations, or elsewhere.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled.

Also sent

A Bill to charter, in this State, the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line Railroad Company, of North Carolina, and to declare its powers.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A Bill to supply the deficiency in the appropriation for the support and maintenance of Free Common Schools for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1871.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Education, and Ways and Means, jointly.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Bill to incorporate the Planters' and Mechanics' Steamboat Company, of Charleston County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Gethsemane Baptist Church, of Christ Church Parish ;

A Bill to incorporate the American Union Literary Club, of Gadsden, Richland County ;

A Bill to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, of Laurens County, South Carolina :

A Bill to incorporate the Prospect Baptist Church, of Laurens County, South Carolina ;

A Bill to amend an Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association, of Charleston ;

A Bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Lancaster County to lay out a public road ;

A Bill to incorporate the Mount Bethel Church, of Laurens County ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871 ;

A Bill to regulate the liability of hotel keepers.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, the title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Bill relating to the bonds of the State of South Carolina.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

Mr. O'CONNELL called the previous question, and the call was sustained.

On the question, " Shall the main question now be put ?" •

Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 43 ; nays, 47. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Barker, Berry, Bryan, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, James Davis, Dennis, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Giles, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, J. P. Singleton, Smart and Tarlton.—43.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowen, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, T. A. Davis, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervy, Lee, Lloyd, Logan, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilson and Yocom.—47.

Mr. HOLMES moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. O'CONNELL moved to make the consideration of the motion (by Mr. Holmes) the Special Order for to-morrow, at 1 P. M.

Mr. HOLMES moved to lay the motion (by Mr. O'Connell) on the table.

Mr. YOCOM called the previous question on the motion to lay on the table, and the call was sustained.

On the question "Shall the main question now be put?"

Mr. YOCOM called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 47; nays, 37. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Bowen, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, Guffin, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Jervey, Keith, Lloyd, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Pendergass, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Talbert, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—47.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Giles, J. A. Green, Harris, Hart, Henderson, Hudson, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Reedish, Rivers, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart and A. Smith.—37.

On the main question, (the main question being the motion to lay on the table the motion to postpone until to-morrow, at 1 P. M., the motion to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill,)

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 46; nays, 49. Not agreed to; and the previous question was exhausted.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Allen, Andell, Bascomb, Bass, Bosemon, Bowen, L. Cain, E. Cain, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Ellison, Ford, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Jervey, Logan, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Nerland, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Small, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace, Warley, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—46.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Barker, Berry, Corwin, Crews, Dannerly, Dennis, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Gaither, Gardner, Giles, J. A. Green, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Mobley, Moore,

Mickey, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, J. P. Singleton, Smart, A. Smith, Sumpter and Tarlton.—49.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, at 11:20 P. M., the House adjourned, until to-morrow, at 12 M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business (being the third reading of a Bill relating to the bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina) was resumed.

The consideration of the motion (by Mr. O'Connell) to postpone and make the Special Order for 1 P. M., this day, the consideration of the motion (by Mr. Holmes) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, was resumed, and, the question being taken, it was decided in the negative.

On the question of adopting the motion (by Mr. Holmes) to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill, Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follow :

Yeas, 30 ; nays, 58. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, L. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, Holmes, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Perry, Ramsay, Simons, Sellers, Shanklin, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Thompson, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—31.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bryan, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland,

Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter and Tarlton.—57.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, Section 4, line three, was amended by inserting between the words "taxes" and "shall," the words "not to exceed four mills."

Also, by adding to Section 4 the words, "such payment to be made in United States currency only."

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, Section 7 was amended by striking out all the words from the word "sales," on line one, to and including the word "made," on line two.

The Bill was read the third time, and, on the question of passing the Bill and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. MYERS called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 62; nays, 31. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Barker, Bascomb, Berry, Bryan, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, S. Greene, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Jackson, Jamison, Johnson, Jones, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nehemias, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Thompson, and Warley.—62.

Those voting in the negative are:

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bass, Bosemon, Bowley, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Ellison, Frost, Goggins, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Hurley, Miles, Milton, Myers, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—31.

Also,

A Bill relating to the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York.

The Bill was read the third time, and, on the question of passing the Bill and ordering it to be sent to the Senate,

Mr. HOLMES called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 58; nays, 36. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Barker, Berry, Bryan, Corwin, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, Jas. Davis, Dennis, Elliott, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Gaither, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Goodson, Guffin, Harris, Hart, Hedges, Henderson, Hudson, Hum-

bert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jones, Keith, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mobley, Moore, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton and J. W. Thomas.—58.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Bascomb, Bosemon, Bowley, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Crittenden, Derrick, Duncan, Ellison, Frost, Gantt, Goggins, S. Greene, C. D. Hayne, Holmes, Miles, Milton, Myers, Nehemias, Perry, Ramsay, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, R. M. Smith, Talbert, Taylor, Warley, Whipper, White, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—36.

The following paper was presented, to be entered on the Journal :

Upon the final passage of a Bill relating to the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York, we vote "no." Not that we wish to do any injustice to the Agent, Mr. Kimpton, for any advances that he may have made to the State—he is entitled to immediate re-imbursement, as well as to full compensation, for his services—but we cannot vote for the passage of a Bill which confers authority upon the Financial Board to audit and pay claims to an undetermined amount. It would have satisfied the tax payers of the State much more fully if a disinterested Committee had been called upon to adjust the account of the State with Mr. Kimpton. Had that been done, we would have felt bound to vote for a Bill providing for the payment of any balance that might have been found to be due to Mr. Kimpton.

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES,
J. WILSON.

A Bill to alter and amend an Act entitled "An Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State."

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

The resolution that the General Assembly take a recess until the second Tuesday in July next, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the resolution was laid on the table.

A Bill to regulate the publication of legal notices and official advertisements in the respective Counties of the State was taken up.

The Bill was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to incorporate the Sumter Academical Society.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the rule was suspended, and the Bill taken up.

Read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported as delivered to the Governor, for his approval, this day, at 1:20 P. M., the following Acts, viz :

An Act to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry, of Charleston, South Carolina ;

An Act to renew the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston ;

An Act to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Georgetown, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons, of the State of South Carolina, and the Subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction.

An Act to incorporate the Firemen's Union, of Charleston, South Carolina ;

An Act to permit James McCullough to adopt, change the name of, and make his lawful heir, Joseph Allen Stepp ;

An Act to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure, relating to the Circuit Courts ;

An Act to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken ;

An Act to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company.

Mr. WILKES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following :

The Judiciary Committee, charged with the duty of investigating certain rumored irregularities upon the trial of the case of William F. Redding *et ux*, against the South Carolina Railroad Company, in the Circuit Court, at Charleston, before the Hon. R. F. Graham, beg leave to report :

That from the very grave nature of the allegations against Judge Graham, and by implication, though not named, against the Sheriff and Jury Commissioner of Charleston County, your Committee notified Judge Graham that they would proceed with the investigation on the 7th day of March, and at the same time dispatched a Sergeant-at-Arms to summon before the Committee the Sheriff and Jury Commissioner of Charleston County, and some twenty other witnesses, whose names were furnished by the author of the resolutions. Judge Graham promptly appeared before your Committee, announced his readiness to answer any and every allegation contained in the resolutions, so far as they related to his judicial action in the case, and requested the most thorough investigation.

Your Committee examined but two witnesses in the case, Mr. Jervay, the author of the resolution charging your Committee with this investigation, and E. B. Seabrook, Esq., Solicitor of the First Judicial Circuit,

who was of counsel for Wm. F. Redding *et ux*. At the conclusion of the testimony of Mr. Seabrook, Judge Graham, through his friend, the Hon. T. Y. Simons, proffered to the Committee a copy of his charge to the jury, empanelled to try the case, certified to as correct by B. G. Shaffer, Stenographer to the First Judicial Circuit; and also a letter from the Hon. R. W. Seymour, who was also of counsel for the plaintiffs.

In submitting the testimony and accompanying documents to the consideration of the House of Representatives, your Committee feel themselves constrained to express the regret that a mere passing conversation between Mr. Jervey and Mr. Seabrook, with reference to the case of Redding *et ux*, should have been made the occasion of preferring to the House charges of "corruption and bad faith" against Judge Graham and the under officers of his Court. If members of the House will read carefully the testimony of Messrs. Jervey and Seabrook, and which your Committee do not feel called upon nor inclined to review, they will readily perceive that the foundation for this investigation rests solely upon the statements made to Mr. Jervey by Mr. Seabrook, in conversation, and, as to which statements, Mr. Seabrook solemnly affirms he was misunderstood.

Without quoting the evidence of Mr. Seabrook, your Committee affirm that, in language clear and unmistakable, he fully and completely exonerates Judge Graham from the charge that his "bearing, instructions and rulings to the jury, and towards the counsel of the plaintiffs," wrought a denial of justice to the plaintiffs.

With the rulings of Judge Graham, your Committee have nothing to do, nor can the General Assembly rightfully bring them under review. It belongs to the Supreme Court alone to review them. It did so, and found no error in Judge Graham's statement of the law; it only differed with him as to the sufficiency of the evidence to send the case to the jury, and ordered a new trial. Upon such re-hearing of the case, Judge Graham did no more than state the law to the jury, in the exact language of the Supreme Court. In this he certainly could not, and did not, act in bad faith. The law having been stated to the jury, they were left, as they ever should be, to apply the evidence and render a verdict. With that verdict we can have nothing to do. If there was any suspicion that their verdict was improperly influenced in any manner, Mr. Seabrook sets the suspicion at rest, when, in answer to a question by Mr. Whipper, "Do you mean public opinion, by outside influences?" he answered, "I do, and believe the woman suffered by it."

In all this, your Committee find nothing to attain the verdict of the jury. It is only Mr. Seabrook's belief, honestly entertained, no doubt, but no sufficient cause to brand the jury with infamy. Perhaps fifty men

could be found who entertain a different belief, and your Committee know of no rule by which to estimate the force of public opinion upon a jury.

The testimony of Mr. Seabrook also fully exonerates the Sheriff and Jury Commissioners of Charleston County from any imputation of official misconduct.

Thus, your Committee find that they have been gravely called upon to investigate—nothing.

In conclusion, your Committee would remark that the enacting of this farce, expensive though it be, will not fail of producing good results, if for the future it shall stand as a beacon light to warn the House of Representatives against any investigation into the rulings of Judges or the verdict of juries. These matters, of right, belong to the Circuit and Supreme Courts, and we may not touch them without infringing upon the independence of the Judicial Department of the Government, and weakening public confidence in the administration of justice. This is dangerous ground to tread upon, and if the House will rashly intrude thereupon, the independence of that branch of the Government is at an end, and it will not be long until every Judge of character and capacity will desert the Bench.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

WARREN D. WILKES, Chairman,
W. J. WHIPPER,
C. C. BOWEN,
SAMUEL J. LEE,
F. H. FROST,
B. A. BOSEMON, JR.,
D. R. DUNCAN,
JOHN C. SELLERS,
A. P. HOLMES.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the further consideration of the Special Order for this day, at 1 P. M., (resolution that night sessions be discontinued,) was resumed.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. BYAS introduced

A Bill to prohibit the further issue of any bonds or stocks of the State of South Carolina under any Acts or laws now existing.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

A Bill for the protection of the poor of Colleton County was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HOLMES, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed, and made the Special Order for to-morrow, at 12:30 P. M.

Mr. L. CAIN presented the account of John S. Simms, for services as teacher in Edgefield County.

On motion of Mr. L. CAIN, the account was ordered to be placed on the Calendar, without reference to the Committee on Claims.

A Bill to require juries, in criminal cases, to be kept in charge of the Sheriffs, or their deputies, until they have rendered their verdicts, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina" was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of Free Common Schools for the State of South Carolina" was taken up.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act relating to gambling" was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to protect the people of the State of South Carolina against illegal and fraudulent issue of bonds and securities, and for other purposes connected with the same, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

Joint Resolution to authorize and require the County Commissioners of Newberry to levy a special tax was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out.

A Joint Resolution relating to the Sinking Fund was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out.

A Joint Resolution in reference to State lands was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out.

A Senate Bill to punish persons engaged in the business of Lotteries, and the sale of Lottery Tickets, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of South Carolina was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. HUMBERT introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Resolved, That the Clerks of the House of Representatives and Senate be authorized to issue pay certificates to the members and subordinates of the General Assembly, from March 8th to 13th, inclusive.

A Senate Bill to establish a causeway over Big Salkchatchie Swamp, at Walnut Point, connecting the Counties of Colleton and Beaufort, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish certain roads, bridges and ferries, and to renew and amend certain charters heretofore granted," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to regulate the fees of Trial Justices, Justices of the Peace, Constables, and of jurors and witnesses, in Courts of Trial Justices or Justices of the Peace, and for other purposes, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Senate Bill relative to the fees of the State Land Commissioner was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

The amendment recommended by the Committee, as follows, was adopted:

By adding the following as Section 2: "That in all cases where the sum of two dollars, or any other amount, has been collected from the actual settlers upon, or purchasers of, the State lands, by order of the Land Commissioner, his sub-assistants, or otherwise, as fees for titles or other papers, the same shall be credited to the said settlers or purchasers as part payment for the said land."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Joint Resolution authorizing the employment of legal counsel for the prosecution of persons engaged in land swindles was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the Joint Resolution was laid on the table.

A Bill to exempt a certain portion of York County from the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate fences," passed December 18, 1827, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to establish a certain road in Laurens County was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill in relation to absconding parents was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, Section 1 was amended by striking out the words "one year," and inserting the words "six months;" also, by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "two."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to carry into effect the provisions of Section 11, Article XIV, of the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. W. M. THOMAS, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for a Sinking Fund, and the management of the same," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Senate Joint Resolution requiring the State Treasurer to report to the General Assembly an exhibit of all bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina, issued since September 1, 1868, and providing for his removal from office should he fail to report, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of keeping and disbursing funds by certain officers" was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Joint Resolution to investigate the transactions of the Financial Board and the Financial Agent of the State, in the city of New York, was taken up.

The Joint Resolution was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LEE, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the government of the South Carolina Penitentiary" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Union County to lay out a public highway was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to change the name of George Brown to George Regular was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the fees of Probate Judges, Clerks of Courts, and other officers therein mentioned," approved March 1, 1870, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to relieve the State of South Carolina of all liability for its guaranty of the bonds of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company, by providing for the securing and destruction of the same, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to repeal the charter of the village of Laurensville was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to alter and renew the charter of the town of Darlington" was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HUMBERT, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

Mr. JONES moved to take from the table a Bill imposing duties on certain instruments of writing. Not agreed to.

A Bill to extend the limits of the town of Beaufort was taken up.

On motion of Mr. MYERS, the Bill was laid on the table.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the King's Mountain Railroad Company" was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williston.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Lowndesville, Abbeville County, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to charter the town of Mineola, in Horry County.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Bill to authorize and empower Henry C. Lancaster, Smith Howe and Henry A. Towles to establish a wharf at the Packer plantation, at or near Church Flats, on the Stono River, and to establish a ferry at that point, across said river, was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston, S. C., was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate and Joint Stock Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments,

A Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the County Auditors and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Joint Resolution be enrolled.

Also, returned, with concurrence,

Resolution praying the Congress of the United States to donate one million dollars' worth of the public lands to the several States for educational purposes.

Also, returned, with concurrence,

A resolution authorizing the issue of pay certificates to members and subordinates from March 8th to 13th, inclusive.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. DANNERLY.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a message from His Excellency the Governør.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 18.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 9, 1872.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following:

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Pickens;"

An Act to charter the Little River and Cheraw Railroad Company;

An Act to incorporate the village of Little Rock, in the County of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned;

An Act conferring upon the County Commissioners certain powers in relation to the license and sale of intoxicating liquors;

An Act to incorporate the Columbia Jockey Club;

An Act to amend the charter of the town of Beaufort;

An Act to incorporate the Star Fire Engine Company, of Georgetown;

An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williamston;

An Act to incorporate the Aiken Light Infantry, of Aiken, S. C.;

An Act to incorporate the Mishaw Light Infantry, of Charleston, S. C.;

An Act to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, of Spartanburg County;

An Act to provide for the payment of the past indebtedness of Darlington County, and for other purposes;

An Act to charter Big House Ferry, over Beaufort River, in Beaufort County;

An Act to provide for the payment of certain debts by the County of Aiken;

An Act to permit James McCullough to adopt, change the name of, and make his lawful heir, Joseph Allen Stepp;

An Act to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry, of Charleston, S. C.;

An Act to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Georgetown. South Carolina;

An Act to incorporate the Firemen's Union, of Charleston, South Carolina;

An Act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Ancient York Masons, of the State of South Carolina, and the Subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction;

An Act to renew the charter of the Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Charleston;

An Act to incorporate the Charleston, Georgetown and Conwayboro Railroad Company;

Joint Resolution, authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to the widow of Summerfield Montgomery two hundred and fifty dollars;

Joint Resolution authorizing the County Commissioners of Williamsburg County to levy a special tax;

An Act to amend sundry Sections of the Code of Procedure relating to the Circuit Courts.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 12:30 P. M.

A Bill for the protection of the poor of Colleton County.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HOLMES, Section 1 was amended by striking out, on line two, the word "collect," and inserting the words "levy and cause to be collected;" also, by striking out, on line six, the words "without delay," and inserting the words "as early as practicable."

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, Section 2 was amended by striking out, on line one, the word "fair."

Mr. R. M. SMITH moved to amend Section 3 by inserting, after the word "rendered," on line one, the words "by contracts with the proper authorities." Adopted.

On motion of Mr. HOLMES, Section 3 was further amended by striking out, on line three, the words "an appropriation," and inserting the words "the taxes hereinafter levied by this Act."

On motion of Mr. HOLMES, the Bill was amended by adding the following, as Section 4:

"SEC. 4. The said Commissioners of Colleton County are hereby au-

thorized and required to levy a tax, annually, sufficient for the support of said institution; the said tax to be collected at the same time, and in the same manner, as other County taxes are collected."

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, Section 4 was amended by adding to the Section the words "*Provided*, The amount of tax levied shall not exceed one mill annually."

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 41.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 8, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table a Bill, from your House, entitled "Bill to compel the County Commissioners of Edgefield and Newberry Counties to build a bridge across the Saluda River, at Chappell's Ferry."

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 42.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 8, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that the resolving clause of a Joint Resolution, from your House, entitled "Joint Resolution authorizing certain persons to have transcribed, for the County of Oconee, so much of the records of the late District of Pickens as relates to said County of Oconee," has been stricken out by the Senate.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 43.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 8, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table Joint Resolution, from your House, entitled "Joint Resolu-

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tion appropriating one hundred and fifty dollars, out of the poll taxes collected in Newberry County, for the purpose of furnishing desks for the Hoge School."

Very respectfully,
(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of Senate.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 44.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 9, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has indefinitely postponed a Bill, from your House, entitled "A Bill relating to marriages."

Very respectfully,
(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also, returned, with amendments,

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways."

Mr. WHIPPER moved that the House do not concur in the Senate amendments. Agreed to, and a message sent to the Senate.

Also, returned, with amendments,

A Bill to amend the law in relation to the license and registration of pharmacutists, apothecaries and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons.

On motion of Mr. R. M. SMITH, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled.

Also, sent

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to alter and amend an Act to incorporate the town of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Read the first time, and ordered to be placed on the Calendar, without the usual reference.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, the Rule requiring an adjournment at 3 P. M., was suspended for this day.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on investigation of case of Wm. F. Redding *et ux*, vs. the South Carolina Railroad Company, tried before Hon. R. F. Graham, Judge First Judicial Circuit.

The report was taken up.

A discussion ensued, pending which, at the hour of 3:30 P. M., on motion of Mr. HURLEY, the House adjourned until Monday next, at 12 M.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. S. GAREY.

The Journal of Saturday was read and confirmed.

The Unfinished Business, being the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Judiciary on investigation of case of Wm. F. Redding *et ux* vs. the South Carolina Railroad Company, tried before Hon. R. F. Graham, Judge First Judicial Circuit, was resumed.

Mr. R. M. SMITH moved the adoption of the report. Agreed to.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported that the following Acts and Joint Resolutions were delivered to the Governor for his approval this day, at 12:10 P. M., to wit:

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act providing for general elections, and the manner of conducting the same;"

An Act to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston;

An Act to charter the Big Bay and Adams' Run Narrow Gauge Railroad Company;

An Act to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Spartanburg and Aiken Railroad;

An Act to establish a public ferry in Fairfield County;

An Act to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company;

An Act to re-charter the Mountain Lodge, No. 15, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenville County, South Carolina;

An Act to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural College and Mechanics' Institute;

Joint Resolution to authorize and direct the Comptroller General to

draw a warrant in favor of C. Werner on the State Treasurer, when certain requirements are fulfilled ;

An Act to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County ;

An Act legalizing certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned ;

An Act authorizing James C. Thompson and wife, Elizabeth Thompson, to adopt the child of Mary Couch, give it the name of James Lawrence Orr Thompson, and make it his lawful heir ;

An Act to incorporate the Rivers Guards, of Hamburg, South Carolina ;

An Act to re-open a public highway in Richland County ;

An Act to incorporate the Lancaster Riflemen ;

An Act to incorporate the Beaufort Horse Railroad Company, in the Town and County of Beaufort ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for agricultural purposes ;"

An Act to incorporate the Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, Ancient Free Masons, of South Carolina ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Waccamaw and Little River Canal Company ;"

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Mount Pleasant ;"

An Act to alter and amend the charter of the town of Pendleton.

Received as information.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

Joint Resolution authorizing the Sheriff of Fairfield County to sell a tract of land containing two hundred acres, belonging to the State ;

Joint Resolution compelling the School Commissioners of Fairfield County to establish certain schools ;

A Bill to incorporate the Edisto Island Land Company ;

A Bill to abrogate and sink the debt of the State of South Carolina incurred in the late rebellion against the United States.

The Bill was read the third time.

On the question of passing the Bill, and ordering it sent to the Senate, the yeas and nays were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 66 ; nays, —. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Bascomb, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Dannerly, Duncan, Ellison, Ferguson, Gaither, Gantt, Gardner, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, Hedges, Hender-

son, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hunter, Hurley, Jervey, Keith, Kennedy, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, W. J. McDowell, Milton, Mobley, Mickey, Nerland, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wilkes, Wilson, Wofford and Yocom.—66.

A Bill to amend Section 103 of an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned ;"

A Bill to incorporate the Sumter Land, Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Sumter, S. C. ;

A Bill to incorporate the Boiling Spring Camp Ground ;

A Bill to restrain Sheriffs from the sale of County property under execution for the debts of the County ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the King's Mountain Railroad Company ;"

A Bill to regulate the publication of legal notices and official advertisements in the respective Counties of the State ;

A Bill to further provide for the administration of derelict estates ;

A Bill to hold purchasers responsible for selling real property of defective, unsound or doubtful title ;

A Bill to incorporate the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of South Carolina ;

A Bill in relation to absconding parents ;

A Bill to exempt a certain portion of York County from the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate fences, passed December 18, 1827 ;"

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways ;"

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for a Sinking Fund, and the management of the same ;"

A Bill to establish a certain road in Laurens County ;

A Bill to repeal the charter of the village of Laurensville ;

A Bill to authorize and empower Henry C. Lancaster, Smith Howe and Henry A. Towles to establish a wharf at Packer Plantation, at or near Church Flats, and to establish a ferry across said river ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to define the jurisdiction and duties of County Commissioners ;' "

A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Marion County to lay out a public road ;

A Bill to change the name of George Brown to that of George Regular ;

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the government of the South Carolina Penitentiary."

The Bills and Joint Resolutions were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Also, the following :

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to re-issue certain certificates of State Stock.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate and Joint Stock Company ;

A Senate Bill for the protection of Buoys and Beacons ;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act for the better protection of Migratory Fish ;'"

A Senate Bill to exempt the keepers, employees and other officers of the South Carolina Penitentiary and Lunatic Asylum from Military and other duties.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill to charter the Union Savings Bank, of Columbia, S. C.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

Also,

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Sumter Academical Society ;

A Senate Bill to incorporate the People's Savings Institution.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 45.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 9, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it insists upon its amendments to House Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repairs of public highways," and asks for a Committee of Conference.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Mr. JERVEY moved that a message be sent to the Senate informing that body that the House insists in its refusal to concur in the amend-

ments, and grants the request for a Committee of Conference. Agreed to.

The **SPAEKER** announced as the Committee Messrs. Jervay, Hunter and Humbert.

Also, sent

A Bill to promote the interest of Agriculture in this State.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad.

On motion of Mr. **CRITTENDEN**, the House refused to concur in the amendments, and a message sent to the Senate.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill to renew the charter of Peay's Ferry, over the Wateree River.

On motion of Mr. **HUNTER**, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill for the relief of the widows and orphans of persons killed because of their political opinions.

On motion of Mr. **MOBLEY**, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill to charter the Spartanburg and Port Royal Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. **MOBLEY**, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871.

On motion of Mr. **WHIPPER**, the House refused to concur in the amendments, and a message was sent to the Senate.

Also, sent the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 46.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it insists upon its amendments to House Bill to authorize the formation of, and to

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incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad, and ask for a Committee of Conference.

(Signed) Very respectfully,

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CRITTENDEN, a message was sent to the Senate informing that body that the House insists on its refusal to concur in amendments, and grants the request for a Committee of Conference.

The SPEAKER announced as Committee on the part of the House Messrs. Crittenden, Crews and Wilkes.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 47.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has laid on the table a Bill from your House entitled "A Bill to fix the rates of passenger fares on the railroads of South Carolina."

(Signed) Very respectfully,

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Also,

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 48.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it insists upon Senate amendments to House Bill to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, and agrees to the request of your House for a Committee of Conference. Messrs. Swails, Whittemore and McIntyre have been appointed Committee on the part of the Senate.

(Signed) Very respectfully,

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, a message was sent to the Senate informing that body that the House insists on its refusal to concur in Senate amendments, and grants their request for a Committee of Conference.

The SPEAKER announced as Committee on the part of the House Messrs. Whipper, Byas, Lee, C. D. Hayne and A. L. Singleton.

Also, sent

A Bill to charter the town of Lisbon.

Read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Incorporations.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee on Ways and Means reported back

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) to authorize the County Commissioners of Abbeville County to levy and collect an additional tax of two mills on the dollar.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution

The Joint Resolution was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Claims is hereby requested to return to this House to-morrow morning, at 12:30 P. M., the claim of the Sheriff of Marion County.,

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to alter and amend an Act to incorporate the town of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Claim of John S. Simms, for services as teacher of free school, Edgefield County, in 1868, was taken up.

Mr. FROST moved that the claim be referred to the School Commissioner of Edgefield County, with instructions to pay the same out of the County school fund. Agreed to.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back

A Senate Bill (favorable) to supply the deficiency in the appropriation for the support and maintenance of free common schools, for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1871.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table, to take up the Bill.

The Bill was taken up.

On the question of passing Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. CRITTENDEN called for the yeas and nays, which were taken and are as follows :

Yeas, 54 ; nays, 13. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, L. Cain, E. Cain, Dannerly, T. A. Davis, Duncan, Ellison, Ferguson, Frost, Gantt, Garey, Giles, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Harris, C. D. Hayne,

Hedges, Hudson, Humphries, Hunter, Jervy, Lee, Levy, Logan, Madocks, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Moore, Mickey, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Ramsay, Saunders, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, White, Wofford and Yocom.—54.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Crittenden, Hagood, Hart, Humbert, Keith, Lang, Milton, Perry, Sellers, Smart, Taylor, Wilkes and Wilson.—13.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. HUNTER introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Whereas all the Counties of this State, in which United States troops are stationed, are in a comparative state of quiet ; and whereas we believe that the present peaceful condition of said Counties is entirely attributable to the presence of United States troops, and would be jeopardized by the withdrawal of any portion of said troops ; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their immediate and most earnest endeavors to secure the continuance of the force now stationed here ; and that the Clerk of the House of Representatives be, and he is hereby, instructed forthwith to forward copies of this resolution to our Senators and members of Congress.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 49.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 11, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on causes of disagreement on Bill to amend an Act entitled “ An Act to provide for the construction and repairs of public highways.”

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President of the Senate.

Mr. JERVEY, from the Committee of Conference, submitted the following :

The Committee of Conference, on the part of the House of Representatives, to whom was referred the Senate amendments to a House Bill to

amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of the public highways," beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and recommend that the House concur in the Senate amendments.

(Signed)

W. R. JERVEY,
Chairman Committee on part of the House.
B. F. WHITEMORE,
Chairman Committee on part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the report was adopted, and a message sent to the Senate.

Ordered, That the title be changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

At the hour of 3 P. M., the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 12 M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

On motion of Mr. LEE, it was

Resolved, That the Rule prohibiting the reading of Bills on the last day of the session be suspended.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following:

A Senate Bill to establish a causeway over Big Saltkehatchie Swamp, at Walnut Point, connecting the Counties of Colleton and Beaufort;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned;"

A Senate Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Lowndesville, Abbeville County, S. C.;

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the manner of drawing juries;"

A Senate Bill to renew and extend the charter of the Roman Catholic Church of Saint Mary's, Charleston;

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate Bill relative to the fees of the State Land Commissioner.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be returned to the Senate, with amendments.

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish certain roads, bridges and ferries;"

A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to renew and amend the charter of certain towns and villages therein mentioned;"

A Bill to incorporate the town of Mineola, in the County of Horry, State of South Carolina;

A Bill to renew and amend the charter of the town of Williston.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. CRITTENDEN, from the Committee of Conference, submitted the following:

The Committee of Conference on Senate amendments to a Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad, recommend that the Senate recede from its amendments, and that the Bill do pass in its original form, as sent from the Senate.

(Signed)

S. S. CRITTENDEN,

Chairman Committee on part of the House.

JAMES M. ALLEN,

Chairman Committee on part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CREWS, the report was adopted, and a message sent to the Senate.

Mr. HURLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back (favorably) the following:

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Georgetown and Santee River Railroad Company;

A Senate Bill to charter, in this State, the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line Railroad Company, of North Carolina, and to declare its powers;

A Senate Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Savannah Valley Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bills.

The Bills were ordered to lie over for a second reading.

Mr. DENNIS, from the Committee on Contingent Accounts, reported back accounts of Joseph Crews, John Williams, Columbia Gas Company, Columbia Post Office, E. R. Stokes, Carolina Printing Company, J. Stebbins, J. Morton, Bryan & McCarter, H. Solomon, Geo. Symmers, M. H. Berry, and others, and recommended payment.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was adopted.

Mr. FROST, from Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported as delivered to the Governor, for his approval, this day, at 12:45 P. M., the following Acts and Joint Resolutions, viz :

Joint Resolution authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, South Carolina, to approve certain claims of Teachers ;

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to L. S. Langley, late School Commissioner of Beaufort County, the sum of one hundred and thirty-two dollars ;

An Act to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County, South Carolina ;

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners to examine the books and other papers in the offices of the County Auditor and County Treasurer ;

Joint Resolution to provide for the payment of certificates issued by the General Assembly.

Received as information.

Mr. JERVEY introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That when this House adjourns *sine die*, the Sergeant-at-Arms be, and is hereby, instructed to take charge of all the furniture in the House of Representatives, and in the various Committee rooms, and to store the same in some convenient place in the State House for safe keeping ; and that he be required to make an inventory of the same, a duplicate copy of which shall be filed in the Comptroller-General's office ; and that the said Sergeant-at-Arms shall deliver the keys of the place where the furniture is so stored to the Secretary of State for safe keeping, subject to the order of the Speaker of the House.

Resolved, further, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be allowed ten days after the adjournment of the House to comply with the foregoing resolution, and fifteen days before the meeting of the next General Assembly to fit up and prepare for the same ; also, that he be authorized to employ four persons to assist in the work, and that he be allowed, for his and their services so rendered, the sum of five dollars per day, which shall be paid in the same manner as the members of the General Assembly.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following ;

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 19.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, March 12, 1872.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following :

An Act to incorporate the Charleston Loan Association, of the city of Charleston ;

An Act to re-charter the Mountain Lodge, No. 15, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Greenville County, South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the Columbia Artificial Stone and Cement Company ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled “ An Act to secure advances for agricultural purposes ;”

An Act to charter the Big Bay and Adams’ Run Narrow Gauge Railroad Company ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled “ An Act providing for general elections, and the manner of conducting the same ;”

An Act to incorporate the South Carolina Agricultural College and Mechanics’ Institute ;

An Act to establish a public ferry in Fairfield County ;

An Act authorizing James C. Thompson and wife, Elizabeth Thompson, to adopt the child of Mary Couch, give it the name of James Lawrence Orr Thompson, and make him his lawful heir ;

An Act to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Spartanburg and Aiken Railroad ;

An Act to incorporate the Gowensville Lodge, No. 107, Ancient Free Masons, of South Carolina ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled “ An Act to incorporate the Waccamaw and Little River Canal Company ;”

An Act to alter and amend the charter of the town of Pendleton ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled “ An Act to renew and amend the charter of the town of Mount Pleasant ;”

An Act legalizing certain marriages, and for other purposes therein mentioned ;

An Act to incorporate the Reedy River Baptist Church, of Greenville County ;

An Act to incorporate the Lancaster Riflemen ;

An Act to re-open a public highway in Richland County ;

An Act to incorporate the Rivers Guards, of Hamburg, South Carolina ;

Joint Resolution to authorize and direct the Comptroller General to draw a warrant in favor of C. Werner on the State Treasurer, when certain requirements are fulfilled ;

An Act to incorporate the Beaufort Horse Railroad Company, in the town and County of Beaufort.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with concurrence, the following :

Resolution petitioning the Congress of the United States to prevent the withdrawal from this State of the military force ;

Report of Medical Committee on account of Dr. N. A. Pratt, of Charleston, for chemical analysis.

Also returned, with amendments :

A Bill to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate Planting and Mining Company.

On motion of Mr. MICKEY, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also returned, with amendments :

A Bill to incorporate the Savings Bank, of Aiken.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. JONES, from the Committee on Incorporations, reported back :

A Senate Bill (favorable) to charter the village of Lisbon.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the report was laid on the table to take up the Bill.

The Bill was ordered to lie over for a second reading.

At 1:10 P. M., on motion of Mr. LEE, the House took a recess for 30 minutes.

RECESS.

The House re-assembled at 1:40 P. M.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading, the following :

A Senate Bill to amend an Act entitled " An Act to alter and amend an Act to incorporate the town of Marion, and for other purposes therein mentioned ;"

A Senate Bill to supply the deficiency in the appropriation for the support and maintenance of free common schools for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1871.

The Bills were read the third time, passed, titles changed to Acts, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also,

A Bill to charter the Marion, Horry and Rockingham Railroad.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. BOWLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 20.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
COLUMBIA, March 12, 1872.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following :

Joint Resolution to provide for the payment of certificates issued by the General Assembly.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with amendments :

A Bill to provide for a General License Law.

On motion of Mr. HURLEY, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill relating to the bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title be changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Also, returned, with amendments :

A Bill relating to the Financial Agent of the State of South Carolina, in the city of New York.

On motion of Mr. HUNTER, the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to an Act, and be enrolled.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 50.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 12, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on causes of disagreement between the two Houses, on Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad Company.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of Senate.

Ordered, That the title of the Bill be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled.

On motion of Mr. LEE, it was

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet at 8 P. M.

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Georgetown and Santee River Railroad Company was taken up.

The Bill was read the third time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Savannah Valley Railroad Company, was taken up.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

Mr. MOBLEY moved to strike out the enacting clause of the Bill.

Mr. DENNIS called the previous question on the Bill, and the call was sustained.

On the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" (the main question being the striking out of the enacting clause of the Bill,)

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows:

Yeas, 54; nays, 13. Agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bryan, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Hedges, Humbert, Jervoy, Keith, Lang, Levy, Littlefield, T. D. McDowell, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Ramsay, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, Small, Smart, A. Smith, R. M.

Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, White, Wilkes and Yocom.—54.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Bowley, Briggs, Dannerly, Farr, Giles, Hart, Holmes, Maddocks, Nuckles, O'Connell, Pendergrass, A. L. Singleton and Wofford.—13.

On the main question,

Mr. JAMISON called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 21; nays, 57. Not agreed to.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Bowley, Briggs, Dannerly, Gaither, Giles, Hart, Holmes, Humphries, Jamison, Maddocks, W. J. McDowell, Moore, O'Connell, Pendergrass, Ramsay, A. L. Singleton, Smart, R. M. Smith, Wallace, Warley and White.—21.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bascomb, Berry, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bryan, James Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Garey, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, Samuel Greene, J. A. Green, Hagood, Harris, C. D. Hayne, James N. Hayne, Hedges, Hudson, Humbert, Hunter, Jervey, Keith, Lang, Lee, Levy, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Perry, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Simons, J. P. Singleton, A. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, Wm. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—57.

On the passage of Section 1 to a third reading,

Mr. MOBLEY called for the yeas and nays, which were taken, and are as follows :

Yeas, 46; nays, 12. No quorum having voted, the SPEAKER declared the vote lost, and the previous question exhausted.

Those voting in the affirmative are :

Messrs. Andell, Bosemon, Boston, Bowen, Bowley, Bryan, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Dennis, Doyle, Elliott, Ellison, Ford, Glover, Goodson, Goggins, S. Greene, Hagood, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Humbert, Jervey, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, W. J. McDowell, Miles, Mickey, Myers, Nuckles, Perry, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Shanklin, Smart, R. M. Smith, Sumpter, Tarlton, Taylor, J. W. Thomas, Whipper, Wilkes, Wilson and Wofford.—46.

Those voting in the negative are :

Messrs. Ferguson, Gaither, Giles, Humphries, Jamison, Keith, Lang, Mobley, Pendergrass, A. L. Singleton, Small and Wallace.—12.

On motion of Mr. JAMISON, at 4 P. M., the House adjourned until 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment the House met at 8 P. M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

The Unfinished Business, (being the consideration of a Senate Bill to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Savannah Valley Railroad was resumed.

The second reading of the Bill was continued.

On motion of Mr. WHIPPER, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed until the next session of the General Assembly.

Mr. JONES moved to reconsider the vote just taken, and lay the motion to reconsider on the table. Agreed to.

A Senate Bill to charter the village of Lisbon was taken up.

The Bill was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Senate Bill to charter, in this State, the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line Railroad Company, of North Carolina, and to declare its powers.

The Bill was put upon its second reading.

On motion of Mr. JONES, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed until the next session of the General Assembly.

Mr. JAMISON moved to reconsider the vote just taken, and lay the motion to reconsider on the table. Agreed to.

A Bill to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to create a debt of the State of South Carolina, to be known as the Sterling Funded Debt, the same, or the proceeds thereof, to be exclusively used in exchange for, or in payment of, the existing public debt of said State," having been reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, was taken up.

The Bill received its third reading, passed, title changed to that of an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. JONES introduced the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the State Treasurer be, and he is hereby, authorized to pay to Hon. R. F. Graham the amount undrawn appropriated for Judge of the First Circuit, for the fiscal years ending October 31, 1871, and October 31, 1872.

On motion of Mr. HENDERSON, the further consideration of the resolution was postponed until the next session of the General Assembly.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate sent to this House :

A concurrent resolution that the General Assembly take a recess from March 13, 1872, subject to the call of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, or by the Clerks of both Houses, on address, in writing, of two-thirds of the members of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the resolution was concurred in, and returned to the Senate.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading :

A Senate Bill to incorporate the Citizens' Building and Loan Association, of Charleston.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Joint Resolution to authorize the County Commissioners of Abbeville County to levy and collect an additional tax of two mills upon the dollar.

The Joint Resolution was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Bill for the protection of the poor of Colleton County.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be sent to the Senate.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Education, reported back,

A Senate Joint Resolution (favorable) authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, South Carolina, to approve certain claims of teachers.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the report was laid on the table to take up the Joint Resolution.

The Joint resolution was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Also, reported back the claim of Alfred Burton, of Abbeville County, and Rev. Richard Woodruff, of Spartanburg County, for services rendered as school teachers, and recommended that they be referred to the School Commissioners of the said Counties, with instructions to pay the same, if found correct.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported as deliv-

ered to the Governor, for his approval, this day, at 2:30 P. M., the following Act, to-wit:

An Act to establish an Inferior Court for the trial of criminal cases in the County of Charleston.

Mr. JONES introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly do meet in Joint Assembly, on to-morrow, 13th instant, at 2 P. M., to elect a Judge for the Inferior Court for the City and County of Charleston.

Also introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Republican Printing Company be authorized to print 500 copies of the Revised Statutes of the State, for the use of the members of the General Assembly.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 51.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 12, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that it has agreed to the report of the Committee of Conference on causes of disagreement between the two Houses, on House Bill to make appropriation and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1871.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

C. W. MONTGOMERY,
President *pro tem.* of Senate.

Mr. WHIPPER, from the Committee of Conference, as to disagreement between the House and Senate, on Senate amendments to the House Bill to make appropriation and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871, submitted the following

REPORT:

The House agreed to the first, second and third of the Senate amendments to Section one.

The Senate receded from their fourth amendment to Section one.

The House agreed to the fifth and sixth amendment of the Senate to Section one.

The Senate receded from their seventh and eighth amendments to Section two.

The House agreed to the first and second amendments of the Senate to Section two.

The House agreed to the first and second amendments of the Senate to Section four.

The House agreed to the Senate amendment to Section seven.

The Senate receded from their amendment to Section two, in reference to the contingent fund of the Adjutant and Inspector General.

The House agreed to the Senate amendment to Section 4, in reference to the civil contingent fund.

The House agreed to the amendments of the Senate to Section 6.

The Senate receded from their amendments to strike out, in Section 4, "\$15,000 for re-organizing and perfecting the State Militia," and the House agreed to provide that \$3,500 of that amount be used to repair the armory at Columbia.

The Committee recommend that the following words be inserted after the word "dollars," on the twelfth line: "for extra clerical services in the office of the Comptroller General, one thousand dollars."

The Committee further recommend that the following words be inserted in Section 3: "For three Code Commissioners, for salary to May 1, 1872, five thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; and no further amount shall be paid the Code Commissioners, after this date; and before which time the Code Commissioners shall make a complete index and reference, and correct all errors in side notes, &c."

(Signed)

S. A. SWAILS,

Chairman Committee on the part of the Senate.

W. J. WHIPPER,

Chairman Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, the report was adopted, and a message sent to the Senate.

The Senate sent to this House:

A concurrent resolution to appoint Joint Committee to witness the cancelling of the bonds known as the Sterling Loan Bonds.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, the blank in the resolution was filled by inserting the word "nine."

The resolution was concurred in, and ordered to be returned to the Senate.

Also returned, with concurrence:

Resolution that the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly to-morrow, (13th instant,) at 2 P. M., to elect a Judge of the Inferior Court of the city and County of Charleston.

On motion of Mr. BYAS, at 11 P. M., the House took a recess for 15 minutes.

RECESS.

The House re-assembled at 11:15 P. M.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. A. L. SINGLETON, at 11:20 P. M., the House adjourned, until to-morrow at 12 M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1872.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at 12 M.

The SPEAKER took the chair.

The roll was called, and a quorum announced.

Prayer by Rev. W. D. Harris, Chaplain.

The Journal of the previous day was read and confirmed.

Mr. JONES introduced the following concurrent resolution, which was adopted, and ordered to be sent to the Senate :

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the resolution adopted to go into Joint Assembly this day at 2 P. M., to elect a Judge of the Inferior Court of the city and County of Charleston, be, and the same is hereby, rescinded, and that both Houses meet in Joint Assembly, at 1 P. M.

Mr. JAMISON introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That one thousand dollars be voted as a gratuity to the Speaker of the House, in consideration of the able manner in which he has presided over this body.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1872.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 52.

IN THE SENATE, COLUMBIA, S. C., March 12, 1872.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

The Senate respectfully informs your honorable body that Messrs. Hayne, Whittemore, McIntyre, Swails, Maxwell, Nash and Wilson, have been appointed Committee, on the part of the Senate, to witness the destruction of the bonds known as the Sterling Loan Bonds.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

A. J. RANSIER,
President.

The SPEAKER announced as Committee, on the part of the House, Messrs. A. L. Singleton, Lee, Jones, Whipper, Byas, W. M. Thomas, Jamison, Mobley and Lang.

A message was sent to the Senate

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWLEY, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as duly and correctly engrossed for a third reading.:

A Senate Bill to charter the village of Lisbon.

The Bill was read the third time, passed, title changed to an Act, and ordered to be enrolled.

A Bill to incorporate the Georgetown and Santee Railroad Company.

The Bill was put upon its third reading.

On motion of Mr. MOBLEY, the enacting clause of the Bill was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

A Senate Joint Resolution authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, South Carolina, to approve certain claims of teachers.

On motion of Mr. FROST, the resolving clause of the Joint Resolution was stricken out, and a message sent to the Senate.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following :

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1872.

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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 21.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, March 13, 1872.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following:

An Act to incorporate the Damascus Baptist Church, of Sumter County, S. C.;

An Act to establish an inferior Court, for the trial of criminal cases, in the County of Charleston;

Joint Resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to pay to L. S. Langley, late School Commissioner of Beaufort County, the sum of one hundred and thirty-two (132) dollars;

Joint Resolution authorizing the County School Commissioner of Union County, S. C., to approve certain claims of teachers.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT, Governor.

PAPERS FROM THE SENATE.

The Senate returned, with concurrence,

Resolution rescinding resolution adopted to meet in Joint Assembly this day, at 1 P. M., to elect a Judge of Inferior Court of Charleston County, and changing the hour of election to 1 P. M., this day.

GENERAL ORDERS.

A Bill to incorporate the Columbia Horse Railroad Company was taken up.

On motion of Mr. SIMONS, the further consideration of the Bill was postponed until the next session of the General Assembly.

SPECIAL ORDER FOR 1 P. M.

JOINT ASSEMBLY

For the election of Judge of the Inferior Court of the City and County of Charleston.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable Senate of South Carolina.

The PRESIDENT of the Senate took the chair.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Joint Assembly had met to elect a Judge of the Inferior Court of the City and County of Charleston, and that nominations were in order.

Mr. HURLEY nominated Mr. George Lee.

Mr. LEE nominated Mr. Macon B. Allen.

Mr. MOBLEY nominated Mr. Jno. G. Mackey.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to vote *viva voce*, with the following result :

SENATE.

Those who voted for Mr. George Lee are :

Messrs. Allen, Barber, Beckman, Clinton, Duncan, Duvall, Gaillard, Hayne, Hollinshead, Johnston, Maxwell, McIntyre, Nash, Smalls, Swails, Whittemore.—16.

Those who voted for Mr. M. B. Allen are :

Messrs. Cardozo and Montgomery.—2.

Mr. BIEMAN voted for Mr. O. R. Levy.

Mr. ROSE voted for Mr. J. G. Mackey.

Whole number of Senators voting 20.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Those who voted for Mr. George Lee are :

Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., Speaker, and Messrs. Adamson, Andell, Barker, Bascomb, Bosemon, Boston, Bryan, Byas, L. Cain, E. Cain, Cousart, Crews, Dannerly, J. Davis, T. A. Davis, Deunis, Ellison, Farr, Ferguson, Ford, Frost, Gaither, Gantt, Garey, Goodson, Goggins, J. A. Green, Haggood, Harris, Hart, C. D. Hayne, J. N. Hayne, Henderson, Holmes, Humbert, Humphries, Hurley, Jackson, Jamison, Jervy, Johnson, Jones, Kennedy, Lang, Lee, Levy, Littlefield, Lloyd, Logan, Maddocks, McDaniels, T. D. McDowell, W. J. McDowell, Mead, Moore, Myers, Nehe-mias, Nuckles, Pendergrass, Perry, Ramsay, Reedish, Rivers, Saunders, Sellers, Simons, A. L. Singleton, J. P. Singleton, Small, A. Smith, Sump-ter, Talbert, Tarlton, W. M. Thomas, J. W. Thomas, Thompson, Wallace and Wilkes.—79.

Those who voted for Mr. M. B. Allen are :

Messrs. Bowen, Bowley, Elliott, Giles, S. Greene, Hedges, Hunter, R. M. Smith, Taylor, Warley, Whipper and Wofford.—12.

Those who voted for Mr. John G. Mackey are :

Messrs. Crittenden, Guffin, Miles, Mobley, O'Connell, Shanklin, Wil-liams and Yocom.—8.

Mr. Keith voted for Mr. C. J. Stolbrand.

Whole number of Representatives voting.....100

RECAPITULATION.

Mr. George Lee received.....	95
Mr. M. B. Allen.....	14
Mr. John G. Mackey.....	9
Mr C. J. Stolbrand.....	1
Mr. O. R. Levy	1

Whole number of votes cast.....120

Necessary to a choice..... 61

The PRESIDENT announced that Mr. George Lee, having received a majority of the whole number of votes given, was duly elected Judge of the Inferior Court of the city of Charleston.

The Joint Assembly was then dissolved, and the Senate retired.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported as presented to the Governor, for his approval, this day, at 1:10 P. M., the following Acts and Joint Resolutions, viz:

An Act to incorporate the Lincoln Light Infantry, of Darlington;

An Act for the relief of the widows and orphans of persons killed because of their political opinions;

An Act to incorporate the Lancaster and Camden Railroad Company;

An Act to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and negotiate and sell the same;

An Act to renew the charter of the congregation known as Derekh Emeth, or Path of Truth, of the city of Columbia, S. C.;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways;"

An Act to renew the charter of Peay's Ferry, over the Wateree River;

An Act to regulate the pay of members of the General Assembly;

An Act to regulate the issuing of checks to laborers upon plantations or elsewhere;

An Act to incorporate the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company;

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Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Auditor and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes.

Mr. BOSTON introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Speaker, to wait upon the Treasurer, and inquire what arrangements he has made, if any, to pay the members of the General Assembly, officers and attachees of this branch of the General Assembly, and report during the day.

The SPEAKER announced as the Committee, Messrs. Boston, Whipper and Lee.

On motion of Mr. C. D. HAYNE, at 2 P. M., the House took a recess until 8 P. M.

RECESS.

The House re-assembled at 8 P. M.

The SPEAKER resumed the chair.

Mr. C. D. HAYNE submitted the following :

REPORT.

The Joint Special Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, to whom was referred the memorial of the American Woman Suffrage Association, with instructions to report thereon at the present session, now beg leave to submit the following report :

Your committee have carefully considered the subject-matter of the memorial referred to them, and have devoted to its examination all the time which they could command at so late a period of the present session of the General Assembly. Your Committee greatly regret that so important a subject should have been brought before the General Assembly in the midst of the haste and pressure of business, always attending upon the close of a Legislative session. Their regret is, however, more espe-

cially occasioned by the want of time, in which to mature practical measures looking to the enforcement and protection of the equal rights of all our people, than by the want of time in which to arrive at fixed conclusions upon the subject-matter of the present memorial. Their convictions of justice and of duty are to them clear and unhesitating, but they have not failed to discover many practical obstacles to the immediate practical enforcement of the views which they hold.

Your Committee deem it to be demanded by the gravity of the subject with the consideration of which they have been charged, that they should at least present somewhat fully to the General Assembly the grounds upon which they have determined to recommend the adoption of the Joint Resolution which closes this report. Your Committee are embarrassed at the outset by the difficulty of advancing arguments in support of what seems to them to be the primal axiom of a Republican form of government, the postulate upon which the entire superstructure of the argument, which supports the doctrine of self-government, rests. They are compelled to reiterate truths which are really axiomatic and properly incapable of being subjects of dispute. And yet in no other way than by the constant repetition of these great fundamental principles will our community finally be raised to the standard of their reasonable duty. Your Committee must, therefore, be pardoned for entering again upon the well-beaten path which all reformers and friends of justice have heretofore been compelled to tread with such painful frequency.

The fundamental idea of our American Republic is, government resting on the consent of the governed; or, to express it in a single word, self-government. The doctrine which had so long controlled civilized man, which viewed civil government as something greater and higher than man himself, was discarded by those who laid the foundation of our Government, and the simple, absolute truth that government derives all its just powers from the consent of the governed, was not only proclaimed as a principle, but was incorporated as the practical and controlling element of our Constitution and laws. Yet, at the very moment when Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence, at the moment when Washington and his compeers of that period were framing the Constitution, they were holding as absolute chattels an "entire race, equally entitled with themselves to the blessings of the principle which the Declaration and the Constitution embodied." The whole civilized world then recognized, and the American people now recognize, the hideous anomaly which the institution of slavery in this country then presented; but to-day, in every State in this Union, and on almost every foot of American soil, there still exists an anomaly equally hideous, equally inconsistent with the principles upon which our Government rests, and equally abhor-

rent to the view of an enlightened and unprejudiced statesmanship. What blinded Jefferson and Madison and Hamilton, the clearest sighted statesmen of their age, men of high and generous aims, of wide acquaintance with men and affairs, to the gross inconsistency between human slavery and the Declaration of Independence? It was that which to-day blinds a majority of the American people to the equally great inconsistency between the Declaration of Independence and the universal disfranchisement of woman. It was custom; it was interest; it was prejudice; it was antiquated and traditional beliefs, accepted without reflection, and adhered to without remorse. The moment the Declaration of Independence was read, it was seen to be the condemnation of slavery; equally, to day, is the simple text of that Declaration the complete rebuke of the spirit of slavery and of caste which supports the political slavery of woman.

If we appeal to the doctrine that government rests properly upon the consent of the governed, can logic, however acute, show us why this principle does not cover woman, who is governed equally with man? If we appeal to the principle that taxation and representation are co-extensive and inseparable complements of each other, which statesman is astute enough to point out to us how woman can be justly taxed, and yet have absolutely no voice representing her in any department of the Government? Still the great fact remains that woman is disfranchised; that she is a political slave, although every voice that has proclaimed in the past, or that asserts to-day, any of the fundamental doctrines of our Government, proclaims in the same breath the injustice of any law which gives to woman fewer civil and political rights and privileges than man enjoys.

How, then, shall this great fact be overcome? How shall the American Governments, State and National, be put into practical harmony with the principles of self-government? Our answer is, by continually sounding in the ears of the people the simple and primal truths upon which this reform rests; by recalling, on all occasions, in season and out of season, the practical denial which we now give to all the doctrines which we profess to maintain. Such efforts in the end will bring success, no matter how great the prejudice, no matter how long continued the wrong, no matter how hopeless to the view of the many, may be the task which we essay.

Your Committee are disposed to look for a moment at some of the prominent objections which are generally put forward as the apologies for the prejudice which denies equal civil rights to woman. We should do violence to the fair use of language if we dignified any of these apologies with the name of arguments. They are, in reality, pretences, whether consciously so or not, and it requires only a brief examination to con-

vince all that your Committee do not untruly or uncharitably characterize them as such.

There are some bold enough to declare that woman is so far mentally inferior to man that she is properly deprived of any share in the Government. Granting her inferiority, the instant and sufficient answer must be, "So much the more need that she shall be clothed with the means of her own protection." Others, again, not venturing to fasten upon woman the disgrace of inferiority, urge that her temperament, her mental and moral nature, is wholly unsuited to the stern duties which the discharge of civil and political functions demands. To such a suggestion, the perfect answer is, that her temperament and nature do not deprive her of her rights. If "government rests upon the consent of the governed," and "taxation without representation is tyranny," the fact of the soft temperament and the gentle nature of woman does not make the tyranny less. Nay, rather, it invests that tyranny with a degree of hard brutality which does not attach to it when the rights only of strong and self-asserting man are denied.

Others there are, who tell us that the discharge of political functions, the exercise of suffrage, is inconsistent with that chief charm of woman, that gracious feminine sweetness and delicacy of nature which has characterized her in all ages. The answer comes again that this is a strict matter of right, and that, unless we are ready to deny the doctrines which support our own liberties, we cannot deny woman's rights upon the flimsy plea that we men, forsooth, think that voting and holding office would remove from woman some of those graces of manner and of feeling which we now admire. What right have we to sacrifice woman's rights for woman's graces? What right have we to say that if the principles of eternal justice clothe her with equal rights with ourselves, we will intervene to strip her of her rights, in order, as we falsely assume, to keep her possessed of certain soft and tender graces, which we pretend to believe the exercise of her rights would remove.

Another class of apologists for woman's slavery tell us that her exercise of political rights is inconsistent with those natural duties which her sex imposes on her; in other words, that she is physically incapacitated from the exercise of those rights. The answer again is—what has this to do with our denial of her rights? If, as is claimed, Nature has forbidden her, at times, to exercise those rights, how is it that we are clothed with the prerogative of denying her those rights at *all* times. If nature has said to woman, "There are times and seasons when other duties will stand before your political duties," be it so; but how impious the claim that we may take up this injunction where nature stops, and say, "because, at times, you may be incapacitated, we will make you perpetually and at all times incapacitated." Maternal

duties do not measure the *rights* of woman. Her rights belong to her because she is a human, rational being; because she is responsible to the laws and to the Government; because she is one of the governed upon whose consent Government ought to rest; because she is one of those who are taxed, and, therefore, who should be represented by the Government. Wherever Nature has intervened to prevent woman from exercising her rights, Nature will always take care to assert itself; but the claim that, because of her maternal duties, she shall be incapacitated from voting or holding office at all, is certainly one of the weakest pretences put forth in support of the prevailing prejudice of the times.

Another class of objectors say that, if woman would claim equality of political rights and privileges with man, she must stand ready to discharge equally with man, all the duties which Government may require; and, inasmuch as woman cannot be a soldier, and defend her country in times of war, therefore, she ought not to be admitted to citizenship. Let us look a little more narrowly at this claim. Suppose the principle just stated to be correct. A rule, to be a just one, must be impartial. Apply this rule, then, with impartiality, and will it stop with the exclusion of woman? How many of this community in the midst of which we live, are physically unfitted to discharge a soldier's duty as woman? How many have passed the age of a soldier's strength? How many throughout life have never attained for once to a soldier's strength? And shall these all still be clothed with full political rights, and woman alone be excluded? The question answers itself. The rule has been made in order to exclude woman. The rule has been suggested to account for and defend an existing and prevailing prejudice. It does not rest in reason; it cannot be supported by argument.

But to discharge a soldier's duty, is by no means the touchstone of civil and political rights. In the multifarious and complicated duties of citizenship, who shall say that the soldier's vocation is the one which shall measure political citizenship? Others as truly defend their country, as truly win her fights, as those who stand in marshal array on the steep and perilous ridges of battle. Woman in the darkest hours of our own recent war, was as truly capturing Richmond, as General Grant and the volunteers who stood behind him. What pretense can there be for saying, to-day, that Clara Barton did not as truly defend the Republic in that hour of supreme danger as did any soldier who stood on the fields of battle? No, the truth is that, measured strictly by the standard of a soldier's duty, there is no reason for the exclusion of woman which does not apply with equal force to fully one-half of the male sex. But the whole assumption is false. The duty of some is to be soldiers; the duty of others is equally imperative to discharge other offices in the defense and support of their country; and as well might

the limbs say to the other members of the human body, that their importance is less because they do not bear the soldier on his march, or because they do not grasp the sword which he wields.

But another pretense to support woman's slavery is constantly heard from the lips of all apologists for this injustice: "The ballot would degrade woman; it would familiarize her with the weaknesses, the vices, and the crimes of men." So, then, at last, it has come to this, that man is so vile that, for woman's sake, he must exclude her from his political society! The man who makes this claim deliberately fastens a shameful stigma upon his own sex. He does not believe it himself; he puts it forth only as a convenient pretext. If it were true, the monarchist and the imperialist would be furnished with an argument, which every male voter of this country would be slow to admit, in favor of despotism and monarchical tyranny. If it were true, it would be the complete condemnation of our system of suffrage. But, again, if this last pretense be true—if politics and suffrage be so degraded and vile—why is it that woman's presence, which so often appeals to all that is noble and good in man's nature, might not here, also, be the elevating inspiration which should redeem American politics from the disgrace and shame which men have affixed to them? If the ground of this argument be sound, we know of no consideration which more clearly points to the advantage which will accrue to man himself from his association, at the ballot box, and in the caucus, with woman.

But another assumption, often put forward, is, that women themselves are not generally seeking for the right of suffrage. So eminent a philanthropist and lover of political justice as Horace Greeley, justifies his present opposition to woman suffrage upon this one ground. The majority of women, he declares, do not wish or seek for suffrage. It would be well to remind Mr. Greeley that the question we are discussing, and trying to settle is not a question of wishes, but a question of rights. If nine women out of every ten in America do not wish to-day to exercise the right to vote, will Mr. Greeley tell us that the tenth woman should, for that cause, be deprived of her rights? Are the rights of the tenth woman to be settled by the wishes of the nine? The tenth woman is governed, is taxed. The principles of our government say, that because she is governed, her voice should be heard in the government, that because she is taxed she should be represented in the government, and yet Mr. Greeley tells us that because nine women out of ten do not care to exercise the rights with which self-government clothes them, the tenth woman, who does seek her rights, shall be deprived of them! Truly this is among the weakest and flimsiest pretenses which we have yet examined. But we deny the whole assumption of this argument. It is not true that women generally do not wish to exercise polit-

ical rights, and no man who has intelligently inquired upon this subject, can doubt that the free and unhindered voice of the women of America would, to-day, be ten to one in favor of woman suffrage.

Another apology for this injustice is, that women are really represented now, by the men; that women's views are reflected and expressed by the ballots of the men whom they influence. If this be true, if woman really exercises now her full influence in political affairs, why all this opposition to her exercising this influence directly, and in her own person? If she has political opinions, and her husband, or her father, or brother expresses them, what greater harm would come to her if she should express those views herself? It is difficult to see how the mere act of casting a ballot would corrupt, or degrade, or make harsh and ungentle, the nature of a woman who now really exercises her full political influence through some man who represents her. This argument does not deserve the attention which we have already bestowed upon it.

To another class of apologists for woman's slavery, who profess to regard our movement as premature, and who tell us that woman is not now ready for such responsibilities, we reply that she never can, never will be, ready to meet these duties until she is actually confronted by them. You cannot prepare woman to wisely exercise her rights until you throw upon her the actual, present responsibility of those rights. Responsibility itself, let it be always remembered, is one of the highest educators. The colored race were declared unfit for the ballot. The answer then made was: give them the ballot, and it will educate them. The country acted on that theory, and experience has justified it. How much stronger is the argument, when applied to woman! She is educated now, so far as books can educate: while the negro was almost wholly unlettered. Her mind is furnished with all that she needs to discharge her duties, except that one indispensable incentive,—the actual possession of her rights, and the consequent responsibility for their exercise. Woman will never be versed in public affairs, or over approach much nearer to that standard, until you give her an actual, responsible share in public affairs. To expect otherwise, is as absurd as to forbid your boy to go into the water, until he learns how to swim. Our demand is for immediate suffrage for woman, upon conditions as broad and general as those applied to men. This we ask as the truest mode of fitting woman for the discharge of her civil and political duties.

Your Committee might proceed to notice many more suggestions which constantly appear against the claim which is now made for equal civil and political rights for woman, but they would all be found to be utterly indefensible and worthless when tested in the clear light of the primal principles of our American Government. Not an argument nor a consideration exists to-day which supports the claim of man to the ballot,

which does not equally support the claim of woman to the ballot. She differs from man, as one race of men differs from another ; but in rights, she is his equal ; in subordination and obedience to government, she is his equal ; and in the administration and conduct of the government she ought to be his equal.

And now your Committee beg leave briefly to call attention to some of the motives and considerations which prompt the constant and earnest assertion of these claims for woman's equality. Wherever the eye of an impartial observer is turned, in the new world as well as in the old, the practical disability of woman in the race of life stands apparent. A thousand means of support, a thousand avocations, a thousand sources of happiness, are open on all sides to man and are shut to woman. Her wages are grossly unequal ; her opportunities for self-support are grossly unequal ; the protection of the few rights which the law professes to give her, is attended with so many difficulties that in matters of property, of the custody of her own person, and that of her children, she is at the mercy of the caprices and prejudices of men. The result is natural. One large and growing class of womankind have long been doomed to a hopeless and pitiless fate ; and to-day, he is a very bold philanthropist who makes even the attempt to rescue the thronging multitude of degraded women who rush on to the dens of infamy and despair. This is the appalling consequence of woman's political slavery. The want of employment, the hopelessness of obtaining a competency, the natural desire of display for the gratification of which no other means are at hand, have resulted, in dooming to this terrible fate, so many of the daughters of our country, who might, under better auspices, have led lives of honorable employment and usefulness. But rising above this lowest class, grade after grade, appear the victims of this false and unjust prejudice of sex. It is against such consequences, too palpable to need further notice, that the friends of woman suffrage direct their efforts. They ask simply that woman should have her rights. They seek no privileges, they ask no favors, but simply that the doctrines of the Declaration of Independence, and all the principles of self-government everywhere, should be carried to their logical and just application in behalf of woman. They seek for woman an opportunity, through the ballot, to the development and exercise of all her faculties and powers. They do not assume to point out her sphere as coextensive or identical with that of man ; they simply say, " Open wide the doors, and let woman fill that sphere which her powers and her inclinations and her capacities shall dictate." It is not the ballot merely which they seek for woman, but it is that to which the ballot inevitably leads—free development, unhindered expansion, an untrammelled career, an open and fair field, where man and woman alike may carve out for themselves such a fortune and name as each may be able ; and this claim

and this purpose the friends of woman suffrage rest upon the impregnable ground that it is her *right*—a right secured to her not only by natural justice, but by that imperfect human justice which we have embodied in our own Declaration of Independence, and in the principles upon which we have declared that our Constitution is established. This is a movement which is as broad in its influence and purpose as the human race. It is already arresting the attention of the generous and the thoughtful in all lands. Organs of public opinion, which, a few years since, did not deign to notice this cause, are now either its respectful opponents, or, in some instances, its earnest advocates. To show how rapidly public opinion is advancing upon this question, your Committee beg leave to present a brief extract from a recent remarkable article in the Westminster Review, for January, 1872, entitled “The Political Disabilities of Women:”

“The political position of women under the existing law has been compared to that of minors, criminals, lunatics and idiots. But a little examination will prove that the status of persons of all these classes would be considerably lowered, were it reduced to that of women. Minority, if a personal, is merely a temporary disqualification. A householder, who is a minor, will, in time, come into the enjoyment of his vote. But adult women are kept, throughout their lives, in the state of tutelage proper to infancy. They are never allowed to grow up to the rights of citizenship.” As Justice Probyn said, “Infants cannot vote, and women are perpetual infants.” Criminals are also temporarily disqualified. During the debate on the Bill of 1867, Lord E. Cecil proposed a clause providing that persons who had been sentenced to penal servitude for any offence should be incapable of voting. Mr. Gladstone objected to the clause, because “a citizen ought not to bear for life the brand of electoral incapacity.” Another member objected to “extending a man’s punishment to the whole of his life.” The clause was finally negatived. But the brand of life-long electoral incapacity, which was thought too severe for burglars and thieves, is inflicted without scruple on rational and responsible human beings, who have never broken the law, for the sole crime of womanhood. Parliament deems an ex-garroter morally competent to exercise the franchise, whilst it rejects the petition of Florence Nightingale. So much for the moral standard required for the exercise of the suffrage. Let us now see what the law says to lunatics. In a legal text-book we find the following statement: “With regard to a lunatic who, though for the most part he may have lost the sound exercise of his reason, yet sometimes has lucid intervals, it seems that the returning officer has only to decide whether, at the moment of voting, the elector is sufficiently *compos mentis* to discriminate between the candidates, and to answer the questions and take the oath, if required, in an intelli-

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gible manner." But the law never allows that a woman can have a lucid interval, during which she is sufficiently *compos mentis* to discriminate between the candidates, and to comply with the formalities incident to recording a vote. Thus it places her mentally below lunatics, as it does morally below felons. The Courts have a very kindly consideration for the electoral rights of idiots, as a case quoted by Mr. Rogers will show. He states that the voter had no idea of the names of the candidates, but he had of the side on which he wished to vote. He seems to have been unable to answer the ordinary questions, and the returning officer rejected the vote of this idiot; but, on appeal, the decision was reversed, and the vote held to be good. Mr. Rogers states that it is difficult to determine, since the decision in the "Wigan Case," what degree of drunkenness need to be shown, in order to disqualify an elector. It is a question of fact for the returning officer to decide; and, with respect to persons deaf, dumb and blind, he says that, "although it is difficult to believe that such persons should have understanding, still, if such a person can show, by signs or otherwise, that he knows the purpose for which he has come to the poll, and can also comprehend the obligation of an oath, and the temporal dangers of perjury, it is conceived that a returning officer would not be justified in refusing his vote."

It will be seen by these extracts, that those who compare the political status of women to that of criminals, lunatics and idiots, give too favorable a view of the facts. The true comparison is that which was used by Mr. Justice Byles, in the Court of Queen's Bench, when he likened the political condition of women to that of "dogs and horses."

The same authority again observes :

"The attributes that distinguish man from the beasts are speech, reason, moral responsibility and religious faith. Out of these attributes springs the capacity for political functions, for knowledge and experience, and for the formation of a stable, regular government. Yet, in seeking the proper basis of a qualification on which to rest the possession of political power, men deliberately reject as insufficient all those attributes of reason and conscience which raise humanity above the brutes, and select one which they have in common with these."

Your Committee, as a conclusion of their examination of the matters referred to them, beg leave to express their conviction that the proper action for this General Assembly to take, in order to remove this standing reproach to Republican government, and to do justice to a long neglected, but most vital subject, is the adoption of the following Joint Resolution :

JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
OF THIS STATE.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same :

That the following Article be submitted to the qualified electors of this State at the next general election for Representatives, as an amendment to the Constitution of this State:

ARTICLE 1.

Every person, male or female, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, without distinction of sex, race, color or former condition, who shall, after the adoption of this amendment, reside in this State one year, and in the County in which he or she offers to vote sixty days next preceding any election, shall be entitled to vote for all officers that are now, or hereafter may be, elected by the people, and upon all questions submitted to the electors at any elections: *Provided*, That no person, while kept in any alms house or asylum, or of unsound mind, or confined in any public prison, shall be allowed to vote or hold office.

(Signed

B. F. WHITTEMORE,
H. J. MAXWELL,
W. B. NASH,
G. F. McINTYRE,

Committee on the part of the Senate.

C. D. HAYNE,
W. J. WHIPPER,
BENJ. BYAS,
B. G. YOCOM,
F. H. FROST,

Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. BYAS moved that the consideration of the matter be postponed until the next session of the General Assembly. Agreed to.

Mr. BOSTON submitted the following report :

The Special Committee appointed to wait on the State Treasurer and ascertain what arrangements have been made to pay the members, officers and attachées of the House of Representatives, beg leave to report, that they have discharged said duty by calling on the Treasurer, who informed your Committee that the only arrangement that has or can be made is by giving the members and officers orders on the respective

County Treasurers, as there is no money in the State Treasury at present, and can be none borrowed, under any circumstances.

On motion, the report was received as information.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE, No. 53.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a message from the Senate.

Mr. Josephus Woodruff, Clerk of the Senate, appeared and said :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

I am directed, by the Senate, to inform your honorable body that the Senate has disposed of the business before it, and is now ready to adjourn, subject to call.

Mr. FROST, from the Committee on Enrolled Acts, reported that they delivered to the Governor, for his approval, the following Acts and Joint Resolutions, at 11:45 P. M., this day :

An Act to incorporate the Abbeville Agricultural Society ;

An Act to incorporate the Churches of Antioch, New Hope, Bethel Grove and New Bethany, of Laurens County, S. C. ;

An Act to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1871 ;

An Act relating to the Financial Agent of South Carolina, in the City of New York ;

An Act to incorporate the Mount Bethel Church, of Laurens County, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Prospect Baptist Church, of Laurens County, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Darlington Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Darlington, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Union Baptist Church, of Laurens County, S. C. ;

An Act to amend an Act passed at the present Session, entitled " An Act to revive and extend the charter of the Relief Loan Association of Charleston ;

An Act to establish a company under the name of the Sullivan's Island Ferry Company, and to modify the charter of the Mount Pleasant Ferry Company, and for other purposes ;

An Act to incorporate the Farmers', Laborers' and Mechanics' Land Company, of Orangeburg County, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Columbia.

An Act to provide for a general license law ;

An Act to incorporate the town of Ninety-Six ;

An Act to declare public a certain road in the County of Orangeburg ;

An Act to incorporate the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of South Carolina ;

An Act to incorporate the Sumter Land Joint Stock and Loan Association, of Sumter, S. C. ;

An Act to reduce all Acts and parts of Acts, to determine and perpetuate the Homestead into one Act, and to amend the same ;

An Act to incorporate the Salem Presbyterian Church, of Wadmalaw Island, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the South Carolina Real Estate, Planting and Mining Company ;

An Act to authorize and empower W. C. Garrity, F. W. Towles and D. H. Towles, to establish a wharf at Martin's Point, Wadmalaw Island, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Charleston Loan and Exchange Company ;

Joint Resolution to grant a section of land, in Lancaster County, to the widow and minor children of Isaac Cowles, and to provide for levying a special tax on said County to reimburse the State for the same ;

An Act to incorporate the American Union Literary Club, of Gadsden, Richland County, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Gethsemane Baptist Church, of Chester County ;

An Act to establish the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company ;

An Act to repeal the charter of the village of Laurensville ;

An Act to incorporate the town of Townville, in the County of Anderson ;

An Act relating to the bonds and stocks of the State of South Carolina ;

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Carolina ;

An Act to renew the charter of Marion Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., of the city of Charleston, S. C. ;

An Act to incorporate the Wateree Presbyterian Church, of Fairfield County ;

An Act to incorporate the Savings Bank, of Aiken ;

An Act to authorize the formation of, and to incorporate, the Laurens and Asheville Railroad ;

An Act to alter and amend the charter of the town of Greenwood, S. C. ;

An Act to amend an Act entitled " An Act to grant, renew and amend the charters of certain towns and villages therein mentioned," approved March 9, 1871.

Received as information.

On motion of Mr. DENNIS, it was

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be authorized to replace the centre chandelier in the Hall of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. BOWEN, a message was sent to the Senate informing that body that the House of Representatives had disposed of the business before it, and was ready to adjourn, subject to call.

The Clerk of the House proceeded to the Senate and delivered the message orally.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a Message from His Excellency the Governor.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following:

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR, No. 22.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

COLUMBIA, March 13, 1872.

To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed the following:

An Act to regulate the pay of members of the General Assembly;

An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repairs of public highways;

An Act to amend the law in relation to the license and registration of pharmacutists, apothecaries and druggists, and to regulate the vending of drugs and poisons;

An Act to provide for the establishment of a school in the State Penitentiary;

An Act to charter the Spartanburg and Port Royal Railroad Company;

An Act to authorize the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Columbia to issue bonds, and to negotiate and sell the same;

An Act to incorporate the Merchants' Building, Trust and Loan Association, of Aiken, S. C.;

An Act to incorporate the Edisto, Caw Caw and Waites' Creek Canal Company, of South Carolina;

An Act for the relief of the widows and orphans of persons killed because of their political opinions;

An Act to incorporate the Lincoln Light Infantry, of Darlington;

An Act to incorporate the Lancaster and Camden Railroad Company;

An Act to renew the charter of the congregation known as Derekh Emeth, or Path of Truth, of the city of Columbia, S. C.;

An Act to renew the charter of Peay's Ferry, over the Wateree River ;

An Act to regulate the issuing of checks to laborers upon plantations, or elsewhere ;

An Act to charter the Greenwood and Augusta Railroad Company ;

Joint Resolution authorizing and directing the State Auditor and County Commissioners to levy certain taxes ;

An Act to make appropriations and raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1871 ;

An Act to alter and amend the charter of the town of Greenwood, South Carolina ;

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Very respectfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT K. SCOTT,
Governor.

Mr. WHIPPER introduced the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House of Representatives are eminently due, and they are hereby, sincerely tendered to the Speaker, the Hon. F. J. Moses, Jr., for the able, impartial and suave

manner in which he has presided over their deliberations during the present session of the General Assembly.

At 12, midnight, the SPEAKER declared the House adjourned, subject to call.

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Mr. Briggs.	A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of York County to change the location of Armstrong Ford Road in said County	233	244	364	400	307, 486	
Mr. Briggs.	A Bill to exempt a certain portion of York County from the requirements of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate fences," passed December 18, 1827.	233	244	614	623	320	
Mr. E. Cain.	A Bill to provide for the payment of the salaries of School Commissioners.....	242	250			268	
Mr. Bose- mon.	A Bill to incorporate the Carolina Light Infantry Company, of Charleston	242	250	471	478	327	618

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Mr. Humbert.	A Bill to incorporate the Darlington Land, Joint Stock and Loan Association, of South Carolina.....	242	293	498	547	466	660
Mr. Moore.	A Bill to incorporate the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church, of Fairfield County.....		242	410	426	263	
Mr. Smart.	A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to secure advances for Agricultural purposes."....	243	251	488	512	320	632
Mr. Moore.	A Bill to incorporate the Wateree Presbyterian Church, of Fairfield County...		243	561	580	263	660
Mr. Cousart	A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Trial Justices," approved February 28, 1870.....	243	294	481	491	317	

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Mr. Wal- lace.	A Bill to have an annual inspection of scales, weights and measures.....	244	254			383, 476	
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Regularses- sion, 1870- '71.	A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish certain roads, bridges and ferries, and to renew and a m e n d certain charters heretofore granted.....			616	629	248	
Regularses- sion, 1870- '71.	A Bill to establish a causeway over Big Saltkehatchie Swamp, at Walnut Point, connecting Colleton and Beau- fort Counties.....			613	629	248	
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Senate.	A Bill to amend and renew the charter of the St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, of Lexington Coun- ty		249	562	580	263	
Senate.	A Bill to punish persons engaged in lotteries and the sale of lottery tick- ets		249			377, 613 300,338,359	
Senate.	A Bill to provide for the protection and preservation of useful animals.....		249	554	580	320	
Mr. T. A. Davis.	A Bill to incorporate the Provident Land and Real Estate Company, of Charleston, S. C	250	264	437	441	379	550

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Mr. Barker	A Bill limiting the term of office of Notaries Public...	251	293				
Mr. McDaniel.	A Bill to incorporate the Mount Bethel Church, in Laurens County.....	251	254	575	604	321	
Mr. McDaniel.	A Bill to establish a certain road in Laurens County...	251	253	614	623	320	
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Mr. Mobley	A Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Union County to establish a road in said County.....	251	254	615	623	428	

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Senate.	A Bill to incorporate the Red Bank Manufacturing Company, of Lexington County		260	482	547	384	
Senate.	A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the construction and repair of public highways and roads"		260			320, 347	
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Mr. Gaither.	A Bill to amend Section 91 of an Act to revise, simplify and abridge the rules, practice, pleadings and forms of Courts in this State, with regard to executions issued in Trial Justices' Courts.....	265					
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Mr. Doyle.	A Bill to charter the Walhalla Female College.....	265	269	436	441	317	550
Mr. Rivers.	A Bill to incorporate the Knights of the Circle Tie.....	265	312				
Mr. Reedish	A Bill to alter and amend Section 313 of the Code of Pro- cedure.....	265	282	497	516	316, 477	
Mr. Reedish	A Bill to incorporate the Boiling Spring Camp Ground.....	265	282	575	623	321	
Mr. Giles.	A Bill to regulate fences.....	266	302				
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Mr. Duncan.	A Bill to incorporate the Nazareth Presbyterian Church, in Spartanburg County	269	294	435	441	321	617
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Mr. Jamison.	A Bill to establish a public Road in Barnwell and Orangeburg Counties.		282				
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Mr. Jervey.	A Bill to incorporate the St. Andrew's Rifle Corps, of Charleston County, S. C.....	292	301	512	547	326	
Mr. Jervey.	A Bill to incorpo- rate the Charleston Land and Joint Stock Company....	292	353	554	567	514	660

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Mr. Garey.	A Bill to amend Section 1 of an Act to regulate the disposition of fines, &c., in Trial Justices Courts.....	294	301				
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Senate.	A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Columbia, Walterboro and Yemassee Railroad Company".....		297	412	431	382	
Senate.	A Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to establish and maintain a system of free common schools for the State of South Carolina."		297			378, 612	
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Mr. Thomp- son.	A Bill to incorporate the Zion Baptist Church, of Colum- bia.....	312	324	561	580	344	660

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